

Aylmer Express

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

It does us all good to see the broad smile of satisfaction on the face of the farmer when he drives in a big load of hogs these days and get \$7 a hundred cash for them, live weight, even if we do have to continue sending the paper for \$1.00 a year, in the rear.

We bought a new hot-weather outfit last week, coat, pants, shirt, tie, &c., \$4.25, credit, and have been called a dude ever since. The title comes cheap, but we are in an awful dilemma already. They are beginning to look soiled, and we don't know whether to try and run our face for another suite or go to bed while we have this one laundered.

We have on several occasions condemned in these columns the gravel sidewalks that have been put down in Aylmer in the past, because in our opinion in many instances, they have not been put in as they should have been, and are mighty poor specimens. Now we wish to make just as public, our satisfaction and appreciation of the firm stand taken by our new engineer in regard to the work that is being done this year, and the manner in which the council are backing up his stand. He has simply told the contractors that they must put down the walks according to contract, or not put them down at all. We are more than ever convinced that the best way to do in future, is to put down our own walks by day labor, under competent supervision, but the contract has been let for this year and both the engineer and council will have the support of every citizen in seeing that the walks are properly put down. There should not be a rod of walk laid without someone is there to see it is put in properly.

We wish once more to call the attention of everyone, especially our outside correspondents, to the fact, that all notices of concerts, socials, or any other entertainment, where a charge is made, or where the object is to make money, must be paid for, if they appear in the EXPRESS. Meetings of a purely social, religious or moral nature, not intended to raise money, will always be given space with pleasure. The one is a business transaction, and must be considered from a business standpoint. If the add is of no use, don't put it in. If it is of value, pay for it, as others do. We make no deviation from this rule for anyone, as it is nothing but fair and honorable, so do not put us in the unenviable position of having to cut the notice out of your correspondence. We have a few friends who never think of sending in any news from their neighborhood unless there is some entertainment going on, then they send in two or three small personal items and a big add. We don't blame them for trying the bait, but they must not blame us if we don't bite.

We know of no council who in our opinion have made a bigger blunder than the North Dorchester council did a week or so ago, when they refused to give the London, Aylmer and North Shore Electric Road running privileges over the town line on any kind of fair and reasonable terms. The consequence will be that they will be deprived of the benefit of the road, without any compensating advantage. The Westminster council were quick to take advantage of the situation, and promptly offered the Company such inducements that the road will be built through from Belmont to London in a general north-westerly direction by way of Pond Mills. A difficulty appears to have presented itself at first with regard to changing from the original route, but the promoters say there are means within their reach so far as the township of Westminster is concerned by which they can avail themselves of the contemplated route without affecting their charter. We understand another company has charter privileges for Westminster, and it is probable a satisfactory arrangement is already made by which the new company may take the benefit of this privilege. The promoters also say they have been offered private right of way from Belmont through to London, so that they are not likely to be seriously embarrassed by the unusually selfish and extraordinary action of the North Dorchester council. Bayham and South Dorchester would have liked the route changed, but when they found that it was practically impos-

sible to do so under the present conditions, and that it would take a year to procure a new charter, and might prevent the building of the road altogether, they wisely and fairly granted running privileges as asked. North Dorchester should have done the same thing. A man or any number of men, in the form of a council, might just as well stand on the track in front of the Wabash flyer and expect to stop it, as to get in front of the advance of modern improvements. The result will be disastrous in each case, every time.

Malahide Council.

The above council met on Wednesday, July 3rd, Reeve Wonnacott in the chair, and transacted the following business:—

John House, labor, \$5; A. McTaggart, 400 ft. elm, \$4.20; Chas. McTaggart, labor, \$17.37; J. Nelson, equalizing assessment in S. S. No. 20, \$3; Samuel Little, gravel and over-seeing, \$55.50; H. Rushton, culvert pipes, \$117.35; S. Little, grant on div. No. 35; Wm. Archibald, drawing gravel, \$40; Gordon Nelson, cedar posts, 60c; Robert Roberts, gravel, \$12.40; Dr. Brown, services, \$18.50; W. W. Brown, over-seeing and use of team, \$39; Bently Bros., drawing stumps, \$12; John House, use of scraper, \$1.62; S. Kipp, labor, \$7.75; G. R. Magee, labor, \$25.25; F. Roberts, earth furnished, \$10; Albert McDonald, labor, \$1.50; C. Gagen, posts, 80c; F. Dunn, labor, \$4; E. Wolf, labor, \$30.95; W. Garner, labor, \$4; A. Soper repairing scraper, \$1.25; John House, grant, \$50; John Fisher, labor and over-seeing, \$17; J. S. Caverly, labor, \$12; W. Williamson, grant, \$50; G. Collins, placing tile, \$10.50; A. W. Dennis, steel scraper, \$10; A. Dennis, use of scraper, \$1.62; John Smith, over-seeing, \$26.38; A. Disbrowbe drawing gravel, \$25; C. Benner, drawing gravel, \$50; F. House, two sheep killed, \$10; J. House, grant, \$31.84; Dennis Leeson, labor, \$168.85; Walter Buck, damage to plow, \$2; C. J. Pineo, labor, \$16.25; Stanley Snelgrove, grant, \$50; D. Millard, labor, \$1.25; W. P. House, drawing culvert pipe, \$2.50.

That a grant of \$25 be given on 5th concession road east of Anger school house, opposite lot 30, provided the division give a like amount in work; also a grant of \$25 be given, opposite lots 26 and 27 in the 2nd concession, and a grant of \$25 on 5th concession, west of Lee drain.

That Lindsay be a committee to oversee the construction of Johnson and Winter drain, the township portion.

That the reeve be authorized to sign a cheque for gravel grant on 1st concession, opposite lots 21 and 22, Easley Chute, commissioner.

That Westover be a committee to examine road on 5th concession with power, also a commissioner to expend a grant of \$25 on same road.

That the reeve be authorized to sign a cheque to Chas. Stafford for street filling when delivered at Port Bruce.

That J. W. Matthews and Cohoon be appointed a committee in regard to placing tile on Talbot street east of Summers' sideroad, opposite lot 21, also on repairs on dugway over mill pond, with power to act.

That this council do now adjourn to meet the first Monday in August at 10 a.m.

Thankfulness for Sympathy Extended.

To the Editor of the Express.

Would you do the favor of giving us space in your valuable paper to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all the friends who gave assistance and words of sympathy at the death of a loving husband, son and brother. Passing as we were through affliction we appreciate to the full the willing services, the words of sympathy and the many tributes from loving friends and neighbors. As kind acts and words never die, rest assured that these so freely given will not be forgotten by us. Our hope and prayer is that some day we shall all meet with him in that home the Father has prepared for us.

Members of the family and wife, ALICE McNEIL.

Mr. Bethune Resigns.

Much regret will be felt on all sides at the departure from Aylmer of another good man in the person of Rev. M. N. Bethune, of Knox church, who is a first-class pulpit man and has made many warm friends here during his pastorate. The reasons for handing in his resignation are given below, in the report of the meeting of Presbytery as reported in the London Free Press.

The resignation of Rev. M. N. Bethune as pastor of Aylmer and Springfield was accepted by the Presbytery of London, at a meeting held in the school room of the first Church yesterday morning.

Mr. Bethune has only been stationed at Aylmer and Springfield for two years, and what chiefly led up to his resignation after such a short pastorate was the stand he took on the question of amusements. His opinions along this line were very decided and he expressed them freely in the pulpit.

But his congregation at Aylmer did not heed them to the extent desired by Mr. Bethune, and in the course of one sermon the reverend gentleman said that for him to preach as he had been doing, and the members of the church to continue their amusements as before, was like casting pearls before swine. The statement aroused indignation among certain of the congregation, and a felling that was anything but what should exist between pastor and people.

Mr. Bethune was willing to withdraw the remarks, but insisted on his resignation being accepted. He addressed the Presbytery at some length on the matter. "I do not want to say a word against the congregation of Aylmer," he said, in concluding. "I don't want the idea to go abroad that I have any but kindly feelings towards them. I want the Presbytery to think well of them. There is a great field for work. The possibilities are great with a pastor who is more suited to them. In my course, I have simply tried to elevate the congregation to the ideal set down by the Master and failing to succeed, I desire to resign."

Messrs. A. Murray and L. Brown, of Aylmer, and G. Stewart and D. McIntyre, of Springfield also addressed the Presbytery. Each expressed regret that Mr. Bethune should take such a step. Especially was Mr. Bethune's resignation regretted at Springfield where the church membership has been doubled in two years of his pastorate.

COPENHAGEN

Mrs. J. Sinclair of this place is visiting in Michigan.

Mrs. J. E. Day and children, of Guelph, are spending the holidays under the parental roof.

The Epworth League of this place purpose holding their annual ice cream social on Friday, July 19th, on the school grounds. The music will be furnished by the Dexter band, also an excellent programme is to be provided. Admission 10c and 15c.

Mrs. J. Kelly, who has been quite ill, we are pleased to hear is some better.

Rev. J. Edwin Milyard, our new pastor, preached an excellent sermon last Sabbath morning. Let us give our pastors a hearty welcome.

Miss A. Harvey, of Glenora, spent a few days here with her cousin, Mrs. J. Kelly.

Miss V. Ryckman, of Jaffa, is spending a short time with Mrs. S. Swartz.

SPRINGFIELD

Mrs. Eliswood and Mr. Jos. Cook, of St. Thomas, spent a few days last week, the guest of A. Atkin.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Robins, of Norwood, are visiting his parents.

On Monday evening the Presbyterian friends met at the house of Mr. R. McDonald to bid them good-bye prior to their departure to their new home at Dereham Centre.

Rev. Mr. Morrison gave two very practical sermons last Sunday. On Monday his family arrived and Wednesday a reception was tendered Mr. Morrison and family when a large gathering gathered in the church and spent a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. F. C. Muller, who went to Annet Wood hospital last week and underwent a critical operation, is improving nicely under the care of Dr. Lufford.

Mr. Geo. Chandler and bride are visiting under the parental roof.

Mr. Humphrey Johnson's horse ran away Monday, but did not do any damage.

The Foresters took possession of the home of R. McDonald Tuesday evening and made things lively for Richard for a few hours. He has been a member ever since the lodge started here and the members and their families gathered to say farewell as they are leaving the village. After lunch was served and an impromptu programme was gone through with after which Mr. McDonald was called to the front and presented with a handsome gold I. O. F. locket as a token of brotherly love from Brother Foresters. Mr. McDonald made a fitting reply.

Additional Locals.

Harold Arkell, of the Imperial Bank, St. Thomas, is spending his holidays at his home here.

Mrs. H. Martin and Mrs. Kerr left yesterday for Buffalo to visit the Pan-American for a few days.

Mr. W. W. Rutherford and family left on Tuesday for Fishers Glen, for a few weeks' outing.

Installation of officers at I. O. O. F. No. 94 next Tuesday evening. A full attendance

is urgently requested.

For the accommodation of the general public, Pierce & Co. have put out a black board in front of the China T. House, announcing daily the market price of wheat and other grain, bran, shorts, flour, etc.

Miss Elsie Cowley, late of Bishop Bethune College, Oshawa, is spending part of her holidays with Mrs. A. Bisset Thom, before returning to her father's, the Rev. Rural Dean Cowley, Winnipeg.

Don't forget the date of the races, July 24 and 25, and don't forget either that the price of admission is only 25 cents. It has been claimed by many that the old 50-cent rate kept hundreds of people away. We will see now. If there is no larger crowd than formerly, the old rate will go on again another year.

Our Glenora correspondent writes:—On Wednesday, 3rd inst., a large number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McKenney assembled at their home to celebrate their silver wedding. The tables were spread underneath the shade trees in the yard and presented a very tasteful and luxurious appearance. Mr. and Mrs. McKenney were the recipients of a large number of beautiful and costly gifts, including a silver butter-dish and knife from the Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church, of Springfield. We extend our congratulations.

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