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WATFORD, ONT., BRANCH - F. A. MacLEAN, Manager.

BY-LAW No. 13

To take a vote of the ratepayers of the Village of Watford entitled to vote on money by-laws on a question to be submitted whether the said ratepayers are in favor of having the Municipality develop or acquire through the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, whatever works may be required for the supply of energy or power in addition to such electric power as is already supplied or can be obtained under the existing contract with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the Village of Watford deems it advisable to submit to the ratepayers of the said Village of Watford, entitled to vote on money by-laws, a question as to whether the said ratepayers are in favor of having the Municipality develop or acquire through the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, whatever works may be required for the supply of electric power in addition to such electric power as is already supplied or can be obtained under the existing contract with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Watford enacts as follows:

1. That the following question be submitted to the ratepayers of the Municipal Corporation of the Village of Watford entitled to vote on money by-laws:

"Are you in favor of having the Municipality develop or acquire through the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario, whatever works may be required for the supply of electric energy or power in addition to such electric power as is already obtained under the existing contract with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario?"

2. The votes of the ratepayers of the said municipality of the Village of Watford, qualified to vote on money by-laws shall be taken on this by-law at the same time, and at the same place as the annual municipal election for the Village of Watford for the year 1917.

3. A true copy of this by-law shall be published in the Watford Guide-Advocate newspaper, on the days hereinafter mentioned, that is to say:—On the fifteenth, twenty-second and twenty-ninth days of December, A.D. 1916. And a true copy of this By-law shall be posted up at the following four most public places in the Village of Watford, namely, at the corner of Main and Front Street, on the door of the Council Chambers, on the corner of Main and Simcoe Street and on the corner of Main and Victoria Streets.

4. On the Twenty-eighth day of December, 1916, at the Council Chambers in the Village of Watford, at twelve o'clock, noon, the Reeve will, in writing signed by him, appoint two persons to attend at the final summing up of the votes by the Clerk of this Corporation, and one person to attend each polling place on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of the answering of the said question in the affirmative, and a like number on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of the answering of the said question in the negative respectively.

5. On the Third day of January, 1917, at the Council Chambers in the said Village of Watford, at eleven o'clock, is hereby appointed for the summing up by the Clerk of this Corporation of the number of votes given in the affirmative and in the negative respectively.

Made, passed and enacted this Fourth day of December, A.D. 1916.

F. KENWARD, Reeve.

W. S. FULLER, Clerk.

NOTICE

Take Notice the above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the Village of Watford on the Fourth day of December, A.D. 1916.

And Further Take Notice that at the hour, day and places therein fixed for taking the votes of the electors the polls will be held.

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W. S. FULLER, Clerk.

Council Chambers, Fourth day of December, 1916.

A new toy vehicle is driven by a standard riding applying his weight first to one lever and then to another.

Revive the Jaded Condition.—When energy flags and the cares of business become irksome; when the whole system is out of sorts and there is general depression, try Paracel's Vegetable Pills. They will regulate the action of a deranged stomach and a disordered liver, and make you feel like a new man. No one need suffer a day from debilitated digestion when so simple and effective a pill can be got at any drug store.

ARKONA

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest George are visiting friends in Sarnia.

Headquarters for Xmas supplies—Brown Bros.

Hear the London Instrumental Trio, Arkona Meth. Church, Christmas night, Dec. 25th.

Mrs. Ern Hume of Watford has returned home after spending a few days with Mrs. (Dr.) Hume.

Mr. Fred Eastman attended the London meeting of the Shriners last week.

The W. I. are collecting old papers and magazines for Red Cross purposes.

Miss Norton of Toronto is spending the winter with Mrs. F. W. Davidson.

Call and get a calendar.—Brown Bros.

Don't forget the treat of the season, Arkona Methodist church concert, Christmas night.

Rev. A. E. Moorehouse of Forest will supply the pulpit in the Methodist church next Sunday morning.

Remember Mr. Armstrong's lecture in Methodist church this Friday evening. Collection in aid of Red Cross.

Miss Sadie McKenzie of New York, Mr. and Mrs. John McKenzie of London, and Mr. and Mrs. Dalgur of Chicago attended the funeral of their father, Mr. John McKenzie.

Notices of meetings or entertainments are advertising. Parties sending them in must state who is responsible for payment, or the items will not be inserted. Several came to hand this week unsigned.

Hear Florence Egglestone, violinist, Arkona Methodist church Christmas night.

KERWOOD

Mr. John Patterson and family have moved into the village.

Mrs. Chalmers of Georgetown is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. F. Mills.

There will be no service in the Methodist church next Sunday evening.

The W. I. will hold their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. T. F. Mills on the afternoon of Dec. 20th. The Napier branch will be present and provide the program. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The W. M. S. will hold their next meeting at the Parsonage on Dec. 14. Anyone having clothing they would like to send to the burnt outs of new Ontario please bring or send in ready for shipment.

A very pleasant and successful meeting of the Patriotic Circle was held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Richardson. About four dozen towels were hemmed besides a good deal of other work being accomplished.

Lambton Co-operative Asst'n.

The annual meeting of the Lambton Co-operative Association was held in Petrolia on Saturday, Dec. 2nd, when a strong resolution (too lengthy for publication just now) was passed opposing the importation or manufacture of Oleomargarine was passed and sent to the Minister of Agriculture.

The following officers were elected for the year:—

President—D. McDonald, Brooke.

Vice-President—W. A. Brock, Ennisville.

Directors—C. C. Huchison, Wm. Simpson, John L. Donald, H. Gilroy, Peter Gardiner, John McDonald and J. J. Jarvis.

F. J. McMahon was appointed Treasurer by the Board and Robert Clarke, Alvinston, Secretary.

Henry Nicholson, a well-known insurance agent of Strathroy, died suddenly Monday morning.

A Christmas Suggestion

In our advertising columns to-day there appears an appeal which should go straight to the heart and conscience of every Canadian. It is made by the Canadian Patriotic Fund on behalf of the families of our soldiers, and it consists of the simple straightforward suggestion that this Christmas we should give moderately to our relatives and friends and generously to our soldiers' families.

Naturally the less we give to those who are not in actual need the more will we have to give to those who are. And it is only these who are assisted by the Fund. Of the families of the men who have enlisted in Canada's armies, but two out of three receive help from the Fund. The aim of this great patriotic organization is to supplement the Government grant and the soldiers' pay by such sum as will maintain the families in reasonable comfort. To accomplish this, the enormous sum of fourteen million dollars will have to be raised in 1917, and of this Ontario is being asked to contribute six millions.

To comply with the request means sacrifices but certainly none to compare with those made by the women who have sent their husbands to face the German bullets. It should be our pride, as it is our duty, to see that these brave women do not suffer privation by reason of their patriotism—for it must be remembered that no married man has left Canada for the front without his wife's consent.

Ontario as a whole, is prosperous, and there probably will be a tendency this Christmas towards lavish giving of Christmas boxes. A little thought will show that generosity, even if based on the kindest of motives, is misplaced at this time of great national emergency, if it implies any weakening of ability to help the cause to which we are all devoted.

Let our Canadian people, therefore, save in all things non-essential, that they may the better give the things that are essential. And certainly there is nothing more essential than the maintenance of the women and children whose husbands and fathers are fighting

THE STERLING BANK

OF CANADA

SAVE, Because---

New business opportunities will arise after this war. The man with capital will be able to grasp them.

Canada's battles "Somewhere in France" To these let us "give till it hurts."

Richardson—Dupee

The marriage of Miss Violet May Dupee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Dupee, Uttoxeter to Mr. C. Orval Richardson, Warwick township, was quietly solemnized at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. Burton, on Wednesday last. After the wedding dinner, served at the bride's home the happy couple left by auto for a two weeks' trip to Sarnia, Detroit and other points. After which they will take up their residence on the groom's farm, Main road, Warwick.

SALE REGISTER

Saturday, Dec. 16th at 2 p.m., 30 cows, 30 heifers, 11 pigs, at the Roche House, Watford. An extra choice lot. 8 months' credit. C. Hollingsworth, proprietor; J. F. Elliot, auctioneer.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. (Rev.) T. A. Mosley, of Minnedosa, formerly Miss Edith Dewar, of Forest. Besides her husband a little daughter survives. Mr. Mosley went overseas in September as chaplain of the 144th Batt. and Mrs. Mosley purposed joining him before Christmas.

The recent death of Richard Powell on a farm in Delaware tp., has been followed by the discovery of numerous bank books showing that though Powell lived as a recluse he had savings deposited in different banks in London. No will can be found and Powell is not known to have had any relatives in this country.

A woman in the vicinity of Leamington who has been receiving a separation allowance, notwithstanding that her son deserted, refunded \$60 to the authorities there last week. This will be an object lesson to other parts of the country, in some of which it is hinted that money is being accepted illegally.



This Christmas

Let us Give Moderately to Each Other and Generously to the Soldiers' Families

Nineteen hundred and sixteen years ago came the very first Christmas, and for all these centuries there has recurred the Great Anniversary with its message of good will to men.

And so we give gifts.

Men and women of Ontario! We who stand for good will among men and nations; we whose men fight that there may at last be real peace on earth—let us make this a Christmas worthy of the day it commemorates—let us lay aside a generous proportion of our Christmas money for the families of those who are fighting the good fight.

Give to the Canadian Patriotic Fund

the fund that guards the soldiers' families from want.

Great as the result will be among the families of our soldiers, greater yet may the blessing be among us, the givers. Christmas will have a more vital meaning for us than perhaps ever before, and as for the children, who can measure the impression they will receive and keep of that Christmas Day when they shared their Christmas with the loved ones of the men who saved their country!

Let each Canadian boy and girl get a lesson from this historic Christmas which will go with them all through life.

Good men and women of Ontario! Can the need of our soldiers' families cry in vain for the relief which this Fund alone makes possible? Can we—can we, in the face of it all, again give lavishly among ourselves? Shall we not this year, with hearts full of the spirit of Christmas, lay aside a generous proportion of our Christmas money for the cause which so urgently needs it?

"Somewhere in France" he is fighting the good fight.

Somewhere in Ontario all that he holds dear is depending upon our decision.

Truly "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Ontario will be asked in January to assure the Canadian Patriotic Fund that it can depend on having six million dollars in 1917 for the families of Ontario's soldiers.



Four million of these dollars must be secured from individual subscriptions. If there is no Branch of the Fund in your town or county send your subscription direct to the Head Office, Canadian Patriotic Fund, Victoria street, Ottawa.