

The SOVEREIGN BANK of Canada.

Notice is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of ONE and ONE-HALF Per Cent., (1½%), for the current quarter, being at the rate of SIX Per Cent., (6%) per annum on the Capital Stock of This Bank, has been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Head Office and at the Branches on and after the 15th day of May next. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 1st to the 15th May, both days inclusive.

Toronto, 30th March, 1907.
ARKONA, J. WILCOCKS, Mgr.

D. M. STEWART, Gen. Mgr.
WYOMING, A. E. WESTLAND, Mgr.

ARKONA

Butter 21c, eggs 16c.—J. G. Brown.
Mr. Cushman is leaving for London this week.

Will Bryson, Watford, spent a few days visiting at Robt. Riggs', this week.

Buy your eggs for setting as early as possible as they are liable to go higher at any time.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thomas and daughter, Miss Lillian, spent a few days in Strathroy, this week.

Mr. Wm. Bell and son will leave this week for Weston, where they will spend the summer working at their trade.

50 pairs of men and women's shoes on sale for Saturday, \$1.19 pair.—J. G. Brown.

Mr. Frank Dunk occupied the Pulpit in the Baptist Church on Sunday evening. Mr. Dunk leaves this week to accept a position in London.

Harry Langan met with a painful accident at the mill on Friday last. While peeling stave bolts the axe glanced and buried itself into his ankle. He will be laid up for about a month.

Mr. W. McEvoy, Provincial Bee Inspector, will address a Bee Keeper's meeting here in the near future. Every bee keeper should avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing Mr. McEvoy, who is admitted to be the most practical bee man in Canada to-day. Watch for later notice.

20th Century Clothing, it's tailor made.—Sold by J. Geo. Brown.

PEEVISH AND CROSS.

Peevish, cross babies are sick babies—their baby is always happy. Perhaps there may be nothing to indicate just what is the matter, but you may depend upon it there is something troubling the little one or he would not be cross. A few doses of Baby's Own Tablets will remove the cause and make baby happy. They are a certain cure for the minor ills of babyhood. Thousands of mothers keep their children in the house to guard against the sudden illness of baby. A Tablet now and again will keep the little one well. Mrs. James Jewers, Beaver Harbor, N. S., says: "I have given Baby's Own Tablets to my baby on occasion required since he was a day old. They have always helped her, and now at a year and a half old she is a fine healthy child. The Tablets, I think, are indispensable to mothers of young children." Sold by druggists or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

DIED IN CLINTON.

Another sudden death affecting this vicinity occurred in Clinton, Ont., Monday, April 22nd, when Mrs. James Sharpe, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Braithwaite, 1st con. of Brooke township, passed away, after only a brief illness, at the age of 25 years.

Mr. Sharpe is well known by many of our readers, having been in the employ of W. J. McNally, until about two years ago, when he went into business for himself at Clinton. A year ago this month he married the popular young lady whose death is mourned today. About five weeks ago Mrs. Sharpe became the mother of a baby boy, which only lived for a few days. Mrs. Robt. Braithwaite attended her daughter during her illness and a few weeks ago the patient was doing so nicely that the mother returned home and a younger daughter, Miss Mabel, taking her place in attendance. Everything was going along nicely, so that the news of her sudden death was a severe shock to the parents and family.

The remains were brought to Alvinston and taken to the home of her parents, lot 9, con. 1, Brooke, where they remained until Thursday afternoon, when interment took place in the Alvinston cemetery. Short service at the house, commencing at 2 o'clock p.m.

Sincere sympathy is felt for the bereaved husband and family.—Alvinston Free Press.

Seeding in the West.

Winnipeg, Man., May 1.—Reports from various districts of the province state that seeding is becoming general. At Humboldt seeding has commenced. Reports from the Badger district state that the farmers have commenced seeding, but it will be next week before much is done, and then all depends on the weather.

Plowing is nearly completed in the Treherne district, and the farmers are ready to begin their seeding. Only two or three in that neighborhood have attempted any seeding yet.

Melfort says the snow is fast disappearing and the farmers will be at work on the land in a few days.

Tecumseh Farmer Killed by a Bolt.

Windsor, April 30.—Adolphe Labute, of Tecumseh, was killed by a stroke of lightning. He was opening his barn door to render shelter for a passing teamster, when the bolt of death struck him.

The teamster, who was only twenty feet distant, escaped uninjured. Deceased is survived by a widow and one child.

BROOKE COUNCIL.

Alvinston, April 27th, 1907. Council met pursuant to adjournment. Members all present. Minutes of previous meeting read, and on motion of Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Monroe, were approved.

Stewart Gardiner, owner of lot B½ 5, con. 6, served papers on Council, asking for the removal of three culverts on G-7 Con. Road opposite his farm and payment of \$400.00 for damages for injuries complained of in years 1905 and 1906.

Monroe—Darvill, that as Mr. Gardiner has been complaining of the culverts and ditch opposite his lot, that the Engineer be instructed to examine the locality, make estimates, plans and assessments, and report to Council, under the authority of section 76, of "The Municipal Drainage Act."—Carried.

Mr. Gardiner then agreed to stay proceedings in his threatened suit to enable Council, through Engineer, to take steps to remedy grievance.

Alex. Leitch applied for remuneration for three lambs killed by dogs, and valued at \$10.50, and on motion of Monroe, seconded by Bourne, he was paid the sum of \$7.00.

Engineer's report read on proposed repairs to G-7 Sideroad Drain showing estimated cost to be \$1840.

Report read on proposed repairs to G-7 Con. Drain across lots 13, 14 and 15, estimated cost \$448.00.

Report also read on repairs asked for to the Kelly and 14th Concession Drains. Estimated cost \$1604.00.

Bourne—Monroe, that reports for repairs to the G-7 Con. Drain, and the 14th Con. and Kelly Drains, be received, and Clerk instructed to prepare bylaws for submission at next meeting, authorizing the required repairs, and the borrowing by debenture of the funds necessary for the work.—Carried.

Mr. Morrison asked that Council pay for the tile, and they would draw and put them in for their share of the benefit, to improve the River Road across the north ends of lots 20 and 21, con. 1. Granted.

Monroe—Spearman, that Council open as a Court of Revision on the several Drainage By-laws that have been published. The Reeve in the chair.—Carried.

Enniskillen Drain, No appeals. Zavit Campbell Drain. Two appeals. Declarations taken before Clerk.

James Douglas sworn said, I own west half lot 13, con. 8. Drain is no benefit to me rather an injury hence I appeal. Robert Watt sworn said, I own east quarter lot 14, con. 8. Repairs no benefit to me. Assessment unequal.

Bourne—Monroe, that the sum of \$60 be struck off the assessment on west half lot 13, con. 8, and added to Township for drainage of 8.9 con. road, assessment with this change made, adopted, and Court closed.—Carried.

9-10 Sideroad Drain By-law. Seven appeals. Declarations taken.

John Elliot sworn said, I own west half lot 9, con. 7. Am assessed too high in comparison with others. There should be at least \$26.00 struck off my assessment to make me equal with others in 7th Concession.

Richard Burgess sworn said, I own east half lot 10, con. 5. Am assessed too high in comparison with others. Drain about 30 acres into the Lucas Award Drain.

Wm. Werden sworn said, I own east half lot 9, con. 4. The proposed repairs to drain alongside my lot are not needed.

Geo. White sworn said, I own west half lot 11, con. 5. Assessment too high. Should only be assessed for land north of railway. Should be reduced \$10.00.

Hugh Kennedy sworn said, I own south half lot 10, con. 4. Should not pay at all to drain as it is deep enough at present. Only drain about 15 acres into it.

Robert Watt sworn said, I own north 75 acres of lot 12, con. 7. Assessment too high.

Bourne—Spearman, that the following reductions be made viz. Wht 9, con. 7, \$22.00; wht 10, con. 5, \$15.00; wht 9, con. 4, \$8.50; wht 11, con. 5, \$10.00; and wht 10, con. 4, \$13.80, in all \$69.30. That these reductions be spread pro-rata over lots and roads assessed for drain, and Court adjourned till 2 o'clock p.m., of Saturday the 25th day of May next, to enable Clerk to notify parties assessed of these changes.—Carried.

Kelly—Spearman, that assessments in bylaw on lands in Brooke, for repair of 4.5 Con. Drain, Enniskillen, be adopted, and Court closed.—Carried.

A petition, numerous signed, was presented asking Council to enlarge and improve the approaches to the Bowley Bridge. To be seen to.

Councillor Bourne pressed for a special grant of \$500.00 for the improvement of the Navoo Road in Div. No. 5.

Kelly—Monroe, that a special grant of \$400.00 be given for the grading and graveling of this road, Mr. Bourne to be Commissioner.—Carried.

Petition presented, signed by Colin D. Leitch and five others, asking that the Gray and Dolbear Award Drains be changed into a Municipal Drain, and improved by tiling the first and repairing the last.

Spearman—Bourne, that petition be received and Engineer instructed to examine these drains, and report with a view to having them repaired as indicated under "The Municipal Drainage Act."—Carried.

John Spearman, Comr., handed in reports on the Gray & Dolbear-McKellar Drains, which were finished and passed.

Gray Drain, receipts, being debenture and premium, \$370.47; expenditures, \$616.75; deficit, \$246.28.

Dolbear-McKellar Drain, receipts, debenture and premium, \$500.30; expenditures, \$518.90; deficit, \$18.60.

Spearman—Monroe, that reports be accepted, and bylaws prepared, levying pro-rata the deficit on each drain, on roads and lots assessed. The payments on Gray drain

to be made in two annual payments.—Carried.

Application received from the Trustees of S. S. No. 10, for the issue of a debenture for a loan of \$2200.00, to build and equip a new School House. Debenture to be payable on 31st December next.

Kelly—Monroe, that request of Trustees be complied with, and bylaw introduced and read authorizing the issue of one or more debentures for loan.—Carried.

Bourne—Spearman, that bylaw for loan to S. S. No. 10, be read a second time.—Carried.

Spearman—Kelly, that bylaw to authorize a loan of \$2200.00 to School Section No. 10, by the issue of debentures be read a third time and finally passed. The loan to be made up of four debentures of \$500.00 each, and one of \$200.00. Interest to be at 5 per cent. per annum, calculated independently on each, and offered for sale up till next meeting.—Carried.

Bourne—Kelly, that the Reeve and Clerk be authorized to meet the Township of Metcalfe officials, and jointly endeavor to settle equitably the payments made by both municipalities in connection with the Campbell damage suit.—Carried.

Council, as a Committee of the Whole, agreed to examine culvert on G-7 sideroad on lot No 10 outlet, and decide as to new culvert, or other changes needed.

Bourne—Monroe, that Council do now adjourn to meet in the village of Alvinston, on Saturday, the 25th day of May, 1907. Court of Revision on Assessment Roll for the present year to open at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.—Carried.

W. G. WILLOUGHBY, Clerk.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION.

The friends and neighbors of Mr. J. J. and Miss Emma Williams, Kingscourt, dropped in on them the other evening and presented the following address:

To Mr. and Miss Williams:—We, your friends and neighbors, have assembled here this evening to express our deep regret at your departure from our midst. We have always found in you kind and helpful neighbors, and we assure you that we shall always cherish the remembrance of you both. As a slight token of our esteem we ask you, Jack, to accept this suit case, and Miss Emma, this ladies' companion, hoping that they will serve as a reminder of your old friends at Kingscourt. We all join in wishing you every prosperity in whatever work you undertake.

Signed on behalf of the friends and neighbors, JOHN MCCORMICK, ROBT. SUTTON, BEN WILLIAMSON, ROBT. WILSON.

Mr. Williams made a very suitable reply on behalf of himself and his sister. After a very pleasant evening spent in music, and singing "For He is a Jolly Good Fellow," "Auld Lang Syne," etc., the crowd dispersed, wishing Mr. and Miss Williams success wherever they may be.

East Lambton Teachers' Association.

The annual convention of the East Lambton Teachers' Association will be held in the Methodist church S. S. room, Petrolia, on Thursday and Friday, May 9th and 10th. There will be morning and afternoon conventions on the first day, and a morning convention only on the second day. Thursday morning Miss Reid will give a paper on "subtraction." In the afternoon addresses will be given by the President—Wm. Clyde, B. A., by Dr. Merchant and by Inspector Barnes.

On Thursday evening the meeting will take place in Victoria Hall, when Hon. Dr. Pyne, Minister of Education in the Provincial Government, will be the chief speaker. The public are cordially invited to attend this meeting.

The Friday morning session will be devoted to reports of committees, and to papers on different subjects, those taking part in the latter being Misses Dibb, Campbell, Boyle, Benning, Scurah and Douglas and Messrs. Campbell, Kelly and Mathews.

There are about 150 teachers in the Inspectorate, and a large attendance is expected.

Monday's Electrical Disturbance Covered Wide District.

The severe electrical disturbance which passed over Sarnia on Monday morning, covered a very wide area in Michigan and Ontario. The disturbance was very violent over the whole area, but so far as loss of life was occasioned and the damage to property was comparatively slight, considering the violence of the electrical manifestation. In Sarnia the storm lasted for about an hour, and was accompanied as elsewhere by heavy rains. The lightning struck the house of Mrs. Albert Henderson on Durand street, entering by the kitchen chimney and passing down the stovepipe. The stove was badly demoralized and the kitchen somewhat damaged. Mrs. Henderson, who was sitting in a chair near the stove was thrown off the chair and received a very severe shock. Dr. Bentley who attended her found that she had received no permanent injury.

Mrs. Wm. Reynolds also received a severe shock while engaged in her kitchen, and Mr. Robert Worsley, who was working at a building, was knocked down and rendered partially unconscious, but in both cases the ill effects fortunately soon passed off.—Canadian.

Sarnia Boats Ready to Leave Port.

The steamers of the Northern Navigation company are ready to leave port as soon as ice conditions at Lake Superior ports will permit.

The steamer Huronic left Tuesday at five o'clock with a big cargo, and a fair list of passengers.

The Saronic is at Port Arthur ready to leave port as soon as the ice is out. She will bring down a full cargo of grain.

The Ionic is also at Port Arthur. As soon as she can get out she will be placed on dry dock at Duluth for survey as to injuries she may have received to her hull in getting on the beach last fall. Afterwards she will be brought to Sarnia and placed on her regular route. The Majestic will be brought to Sarnia and placed on the Lake Superior route as soon as business warrants.

WYOMING.

Sandy Dawson and wife, Plympton township, visited at J. Osborne's last Sunday afternoon.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be dispensed next Sabbath in the Presbyterian church here.

WHEN you think of clothing you think of Swift Bros., who for twenty-two years and more have been hammering away at the CLOTHING BUSINESS and each and every year we are doing better, little improvement here and there, better linings and trimmings, better interior in the way of canvas and enterlings those you cannot see, but the finish and mould of the shoulders as a collar and the way the coat keeps its shape denotes the best of everything. This week we open another big shipment of imported Tweeds and Suitings direct from the Old Country. Suits from \$14.00 to \$30.00, ready about Monday.—SWIFT BROS., DIRECT IMPORTERS.

TENDERS FOR DRAIN.

SEALED tenders will be received by the undersigned commissioners until May 4th, 1907, for the construction of the Leach Local Drain according to the plans and specifications of the engineer. Said plans can be seen at the Guide Advocate office, Watford, said work to be completed by Oct. 1st, 1907, and security for same to be given at the time of signing contract.

E. A. EDWARDS, Kerwood P. O.
ROBT. AULD, Warwick P. O.
Commissioners.

Out of Business.

Over fifty liquor licenses terminate throughout Ontario May 1st, the majority of them in local option districts. The licenses in Midland, where the local option by-law was quashed on technical grounds and a request made for licenses pending the appeal, will not be granted.

As indicated, Hon. Mr. Hanna stated this morning that in the new districts over which the Government had control, it was not the intention to grant licenses where the local option bylaw had carried by the three-fifths clause and been quashed on a technicality. It is anticipated that in older Ontario, where the Boards of License Commissioners have jurisdiction, that the Government's example will be followed.—News.

BRIDGE TENDERS WANTED.

SEALED TENDERS, marked "Tender," will be received by the undersigned until Saturday, May 4th, 1907, and at Alvinston during the forenoon on Tuesday, May 7th, 1907, for a Concrete Floor for the Sylvan Bridge. Specifications can be seen at the County Buildings, London, and at the residence of John L. Fuller, Arkona, and at Duncan Campbell's, Forest. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

CHAS. TALBOT, JOHN L. FULLER,
County Engineer, DUNCAN CAMPBELL,
London, Commissioners for
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