NEWS OF NORFOLK

Resignations of the Utilities Commissioners Are Submitted at Simcoe

OTHER ITEMS OF NEWS

Midnight Oil Burned at Council Session

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Simcoe, March 12.—(From our own correspondent)—The Town Council had a long session last night. A great deal of time was spent over the final settlement regarding a clerk for the police magistrate, and salaries of the utility commissioners. On the opening of the session the following resolution was passed:

The Late J. Lorne Campbell

Langford and Carter: That this council voice the sympathy of the citizens of Simcoe for the members of his family in the great loss sustained in the death of the late J. Lorne Campbell, an illustrious son and ex-Mayor of this corporation, whose memory is still held in regard and who as a citizen of sterling integrity, and as a public benefactor and who gave of his unusual capabilities for public service, liberally and freely to his native town; whose munificient gift of Lynwood Park to the people of Simcoe stands out in relief to-day, making every citizen a debtor to his memory.

That the Parks Committee be recommended to erect in a conspicuous place in the park, a permanent tablet acknowledging Mr. Campbell's gift, and that the clerk be requested to forward a copy of this resolution to Mrs. Campbell.

G. T. R. Service on the "Woodstock" Branch.

Mr. J. S. Sutherland, of the Woodstock Board of Trade addressed the Council regarding a concerted effort for better passenger and mail service on this line. One of the two trains has been cut off and it is now impossible for people from the north to visit Simcoe over this route in less than parts of three days provided they do business in town. H.S. students from the north cannot go home for the week-end, but may call home on Saturday. The council passed a resolution requesting the return of the service, as it was felt that the small engine relieved of work was not capable of doing much towards handling freight. Some members thought that there were too many passenger trains on the main lines.

Police Magistrate Gunton, who had applied for a clerk, according to statutory requirements, was present to press or qualify his claim. He offered as an alternative to secure his own clerk on an allowance of $100. He got this with the understanding that he would provide a clerk during the sitting of court, where such assistance was necessary, to expediate matters and obviate delay for those attending the same in various capacities. The members of council were inclined to value the clerk's services as a matter of dispatch, while Mr. Gunton looked upon it as lessening his own clerical work outside the sitting of the court, and hence a long drawn out discussion which obtained.

Salaries For Commissoners.

When the 1916 council on its death bed voted $150 each to the utility commissioners there was such a storm about town that no one looked for an increase to be made this year. Mr. Gunton and Mr. Gibson were both present on invitation, and took their part in a free and easy discussion of the matter, when everything had been thoroughly threshed out and the chairman of the Finance committee reviewed the drop in taxation, due to the cutting off of hotel business rates and licenses, and the burning of the Litho Plant, coupled with a heavy county rate and the increase in debentures for schools and sewage extention, which along with our former liability, was bound to run the rate up two or three mills unless curtailment could be made somewhere, asking the commissioners not to exact the last dollar while men of recognized ability were offering to do the work gratuitously. Reeve Carter, seconded by Alderman Doughty, placed the figures at $50, and the motion carried.

Commissioner Gibson accused the Mayor of allowing Alderman Langford the floor when Mr. Gunton wanted to speak and complained that the former had too much to say, and drew the rejoinder from Mr. Langford that as a member of the council board he was not going to submit to such remarks from across the gallery raid. The Commissioners wrote out their resignations instanter, Mr. Gibson signifying that his would take effect then too. After this, a motion for reconsideration, was suggested, but the parleying ended. As matters stand, there is now an opportunity for men who thought the work should be done gratuitously, to come out and offer their services.

Auditors' Reports Finally Passed

When the financial statements were under consideration, it was observed that at no time since the $40,000 Hydro debentures were voted for hydro construction, had the people been told in the annual statement or elsewhere in clear terms just what was realized from their sale; that a committee of the council had been formed to take the construction work of the hydro-electric in charge, and was evidently given over the entire constructive funds, and that this committee to this day has not reported to council; that it is impossible to separate installation expenditures from operation expenditures, and that the balance of the money from the sale of debentures to construct was turned over to the utilities commission to operate and this without the authorization of the council.

The chairman of the finance committee asked in vain for the funds received from the sale of the old plant, or for any account of the old distribution system. The commissioners were congratulated on the splendid statement rendered, to which there was but one criticism, that operating expenditures were not kept separate from extension outlay.

His Worship stated that the treasurer had requested and had been granted one month leave of absence.

The charity committee reported expenditures of $86.20, between Feb. 3rd and March 10th, and asked for $30 to the credit of the account.

The board of works for the same period spent $198.50, and got a grant of $500.

Hopes for an Hospital

Mayor Williamson expressed his desire to see an hospital in Simcoe at no far distant date, not as a money maker, but as an opportunity to give necessary treatment to those in need, and a fair charge to those able to pay for it. The coming bequest considered only a nucleus for the purpose. Local physicians have signified willingness to help on the project.

Want Mail Over L. E. & N.

A memorial was drawn up to be forwarded to Ottawa with a view to getting mail service over the L. E. & N., a copy to be sent to Senator McCall who has had the responsibility of the rural route mapping of the county, and whose aim is to get an earlier departure from Simcoe of the six carriers with a view to their return to town in time for the outgoing mail.

The installation of a telephone at the market clerk's office was ordered in connection with the fire department for day service, when the keeper of the fire hall is on the streets with the team.

Driver Laurie Sets New Pace

Under instructions to wait for no one, Driver Laurie responded to a six o'clock fire alarm yesterday morning, and though in bed when the call was turned in, he was out of the hall in two minutes and got away, only Harry Little on the hose wagon. Even Elmer Ramey was left out. He repeated the feat again this evening at 8 o'clock, and so did Little. In either case, a chimney fire was the cause of the alarm, and the water was not turned on from the hydrant.

Mr. Laurie has the team trained. They get to their places under the harness without assistance, though there is some distance between the stable and the hall.

Proposed Changes at Fire Hall

Chairman Jaques of the fire, water and light committee, reported, requesting radical changes at the market square. The report suggests changing the old market building into a fire hall and building a tower on the corner of it. The old tower is said to be unsafe, and there is room in the present fire hall for only one wagon. The report was passed up to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Carter, Jaques and Dougherty to get plans and estimates.

Anthony Fitton and A. Farney were in Hamilton yesterday seeking with regard to mechanical transport work with a view to offering for overseas service.

More Drunks

Harold Lynds was assisted to the Lot Street retreat from somewhere about the region of Falls' store, on Sunday night, and early yesterday forenoon Chief Canning took Frank Lafferty in tow. Both were charged as usual and the case was adjourned till to-morrow. They boarded with a very respectable lady, and some hard stuff was found in their rooms.

Luxuries Occasionally at the Front.

Pte. Charles Berry, writing to his brother, Harry Whitehead here, speaks of being at a picture show in an old house where he saw Laura Finch and Jack Bunny play together. He wrote his letter in a trench inn on a marble topped table, and shells were dropping all around at the time. He "got the parcels," and had his first shave from a lady barber on the day he wrote. The fee was six cents. He commends the French peasant for "sticking around their homes" in the midst of the conflict. He saw a farm house struck and only a few brick remained when the dust cleared away.

Do Not Need Yankees

"We seem to think that we have the Germans licked," he remarks after a query as to whether Uncle Sam is going to get into the scrap. Charlie backs up his statement that he has an appetite like a horse by saying, "I have just eaten a tin of salmon and a bottle and a half of pickles." These are doubtless tins and bottles of different sizes from curs.

Was Close Up

"The morning I got your letter, I was only about twenty yards from the German trenches, but I did not have a chance to stab any for you, as I was on what we call the listening post, and the bullets were flying a little too thick for me to put my head up. I had a big pair of rubber boots like dad's, and the mud came away up over my knees, and as luck would have it, I got stuck, and so I lay on my stomach and pulled myself out of my boots, and then pulled the boots out."

Like most of the boys, Charlie wants more eats.

Oliver DeCou is reported rather severely afflicted with deafness.

Dr. A. C. Burt will soon return home to resume his practice.

SIMCOE'S SOLDIER SONS

PTE. JOHN TOOMBS, 133rd Battalion, 109 College Street, Simcoe.

LANCASHIRE AND COTTON QUESTION

Increase on Duty Strenuously Opposed; Debate In Parliament

By Courier Leased Wire.

New York, March 13—A New York Times cable from London this morning says:

Lancashire is up in arms against an increase in the Indian import duties on cotton goods. A debate on the subject in the House of Commons has been arranged for tomorrow and the government will be challenged to a division.

Government Resign?

The Daily Chronicle says editorially:

"It is stated that if the vote is against them the government will resign. A general election would then follow. Regardless of the merits of the question, the Nationalists will vote against the government and if Mr. Asquith were to lead his followers into the same lobby a Government defeat would be quite probable. We trust Mr. Asquith and believe no action of his will precipitate the national calamity of a general election at this juncture.

Slight Issue

"The course of the war will not be influenced by the Indian cotton duties, and those responsible for forcing an election on such an issue would find themselves in an unenviable position. The nation will not readily forgive them, whether the responsibility is fixed on the opposition or on the Government."

How the Steamer Storstad Sank

How the Steamers

By Courier Leased Wire.

London, March 12.—The sinking of the Norwegian Steamship Storstad in the service of the American Commission for relief in Belgium, occurred in latitude 51.20, longitude 11.50 (in the Atlantic off the southern end of Ireland). The submarine fired about fifteen shots at a range of three to four miles. The Storstad stopped and hoisted the Belgian relief signal. The submarine submerged, but half an hour later the Storstad, which had not resumed her voyage, was torpedoed without warning as she lay stationary in the water with all the crew on board. She sank at 12.10 p.m.

The crew including one American has been accounted for in its entirety, but the 4th engineer died of exposure before the men were rescued.

A cable has been received at Vancouver giving the vote on the prohibition referendum at 1,406 against and 221 for at London, England, by the soldiers there.

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WORLD OF THE TELEPHONE

The meeting of St. Jude's Anglican Young Peoples' Society last evening was of a special nature when a representative gathering were favored with a lecture on "The World of the Telephone," by Mr. J. L. Dixon, local manager of the Bell Telephone Company. The speaker, whose remarks were illustrated by sixty lantern views, first referred to the proud distinction of this city in being the birthplace of the telephone, and to the early history of Prof. Bell. He described the early instruments and exchanges, when boys were used as operators, but who were so unsatisfactory that they had to give place to girls, whose entrance into the field of activity had ever since proved a blessing to the subscribers, and they have made themselves indispensable. Pictures were shown of the past and present day methods of construction, of the back rooms and switchboards in central offices, showing the girls at work busily answering 25,000 calls daily in the local office. The work of the Storm King was demonstrated by a number of views showing the terrible havoc wrought by storms of snow, wind and sleet. Figures were produced to show that Ontario was the largest user of the telephone, there being about 10 telephones in use per 100 of the population, and at the present time there are more than 3,000 subscribers connected to the local exchange.

The speaker declared it was impossible to forecast the future development along electrical lines, but pointed out that in spite of the intricate complications displayed in all the essentials which go to make up a telephone call, it had been made so simple to the lay mind that even the children are making a daily use of the telephone with never a thought of the wonder of it all.

The meeting was presided over by Rev. C. E. Jenkins, the popular pastor of this church, who also operated the beautiful lantern of which St. Jude's is now the proud possessor. Interspersed in the evening's program were instrumental duets by Misses Ethel Dixon and Jean Cornelius, and vocal numbers by Miss Laura Anguish, which were thoroughly enjoyed.

In moving a vote of thanks to those who had contributed to the success of the evening, Mr. Joseph Broadbent, who was supported by Mr. J. A. Virtue, characterized the lecture as one "full of information, comprehensive, interesting and entertaining."

The singing of the National Anthem brought a very pleasant and profitable evening to a close.

Council Council is in Session

The county council met in their chambers at the Court House this morning when a grist of communications were read, and the report as submitted by county school inspector T. W. Standing, adopted. The communications were laid over until a subsequent session to be dealt with by the councillors.

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The Brantford Municipal Board of Education wrote submitting an account for $2874.76, being the sum owing by the county for pupils from the rural sections in attendance at the Brantford Collegiate from July to December, 1916.

A letter was read from the clerk of the township of Oakland bringing to the attention of Mr. A. E. Watts, county clerk, the advisability of changing some roads at first mentioned in connection with the Good Roads Scheme in this county.

Police Magistrate W. C. Livingston wrote stating that Mr. John Howarth was at present doing the clerical work in connection with the county cases tried before him, and was receiving no renumeration for such work. He requests that the matter be brought to the attention of the council and that some arrangement be made for Mr. Howarth.

County School Inspector J. W. Standing submitted his report for the year, showing that at the present time there are 62 rural schools and two schools in Paris under his jurisdiction. One hundred and two teachers are employed at an average salary of $611. The number of pupils in attendance during the year was 4020, with an average attendance of 2521.

Mr. Standing pointed out that there had been a regrettable falling off in attendances, both in the number enrolled and in the average attendance.

He also stated that there were too many changes of teachers in the rural schools.

The accommodation and equipment of the schools is gradually improving and pressure is being brought to bear on the Department of Education to bring the standard of equipment of all schools up to a prescribed minimum.

The report continues giving an account of the administration of the schools, the system in which they are operated and the special features being introduced.

Mr. R. Schuyler, district representative of the Dominion Department of Agriculture, wrote, asking the council to make a grant of $10 to purchase prizes for the various school fairs held throughout the county.

The council adjourned at half past twelve to meet again at 2 o'clock. Before the hour of meeting this afternoon several deputations were in readiness to wait upon the council and the afternoon session promised to be exceptionally interesting.

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Beautiful Showing of Silks

New Silks, in Taffetas, Paillettes, Duchess Satins, Poplins in black and colors, special at per yard $2.00 to..... $1.35

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Sport Stripe Silk Poplins, 36 in. wide, beautiful rich shading, correct for separate Skirts, special per yard..... $2.50

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New Spring Neckwear, just to hand from New York, many smart styles. We are showing the new Khaki Kool effects, Crepe-de-Chines, Georgette Crepe, Washable Satins, Etc.

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FRENCHMEN HERE CALLED TO COLORS

French Consul Summons Those of His Nationality in Canada

Native born Frenchmen now resident in Canada are being called to the colors and summoned to France for a medical examination. The following is a copy of a notice to Frenchmen resident in Ontario received by The Courier from the French Consul at Toronto:

TO FRENCHMEN RESIDENT IN ONTARIO:

All Frenchmen exempt or reformed from military service before the war, born since 1st January, 1876, and who have been maintained in this situation as a result of medical examination under application of the Law of 9th September, 1914, are required to immediately make a declaration of their military situation and to pass a new medical examination.

The closing of these operations having to take place in France on 16th April next (1917) it is necessary that those Frenchmen interested in the above information conform to the requirements before 1st April, 1917, at the very latest.

Frenchmen coming under this category, resident in Ontario, are required to communicate immediately with

The French Consul,
137 Duchess Street,
Toronto.

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Veno's Lightning Cough Cure is the most popular remedy in the world for coughs and colds. People who once try it use it again; they tell their friends about Veno's, and these friends tell other friends. Why? Because there is real curative power in Veno's Lightning Cough Cure; because it is quick and sure in action; because it contains no dope and is suitable for young or old, from infancy to extreme age; because it cures as nothing ever cured before. Price 30 cents and 60 cents, from druggists and stores throughout Canada.

MEN WANTED
FOR
Canadian Coast Defence
Officers and Men are Wanted Immediately.
Applications are invited from qualified officers of the Royal Navy or Naval Reserve, or Mercantile Marine and from experienced seamen, stokers and Engine Room ratings, etc., for service in the Canadian Naval Patrols. Must be sons of British subjects.
PAY Officers $2.50 per day upwards, $30.00 a month and up separation.
Men $1.05 per day upwards and separation allowance. Ages 18 to 45. Apply at once to
COMMODORE ÆMILIUS JARVIS,
Naval Recruiting Officer, Ontario Area,
103 Bay Street, TORONTO, or to
The Naval Recruiting Secretary,
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Auction Sale
OF FARM STOCK IMPLEMEN
AND REAL ESTATE

Welby Almas, auctioneer, has ceived instructions to sell by a tion at the farm lately owned Geo. A. Garbutt, and better kno as the Mitchell Farm, situated the south side of the Hamilton R a short distance east of Langf Methodist Church, on

FRIDAY, MARCH 16TH.

Commencing at one o'clock, following valuable farm stock, plements and chattels:

Horses—Five—One brown ma by Dominion Boy, 6 years old; Percheron horse, 5 years old; Percheron horse rising 3 years, one Percheron horse rising 2 yea will make splendid team; one P cheron one year old.

Cattle—19—1 Holstein cow years; 1 Red Durham cow, in ca Holstein grade cow, in calf; Jer grade cow, 6 years, fresh; Holst grade cow; Jersey cow, supposed calf; Jersey grade cow, fresh; Jer cow, due to freshen soon; Holst grade cow in calf; Jersey hei coming 2 years old; two steers, co ing two years old; two calves, f weeks old; five calves, coming ye lings.

Hogs—Two York brood so four fat pigs; 16 small pigs.

Poultry—6 Muskova ducks, geese, 50 chickens.

Implements — Cockshutt walk plow, No. 21; Adams wagon box; Chatham buggy; cutter, w out shafts; Massey-Harris corn tivator; Capital cream separat Deering binder; Massey-Harris c cultivator; Capital cream separat Deering binder; Massey-Harris m er; Massey-Harris rake, 10 wooden drum roller; Massey-Ha spring tooth cultivator; 2 harro four section; two horse disc harr Massey-Harris; Wisner drill; th pails; churn; dairy utensils; set sleighs; platform scale; forks sh els; whiffletrees; chains, etc.

Harness, Etc.—Set single harn 2 sets double harness; two good lie pups, four months old.

Real Estate—The farm consis of part of Lot Nine in the F Range South of the Hamilton R and containing 137 7-10 acres, part taken by the Brantford Hamilton Radial Railway, will be fered for sale at 4 o'clock, subjec a reserved bid. Soil is good loam, excellent for stock or g farm. Buildings consist of large storey frame house with good ce large barn on stone foundation.

Terms for real estate, ten per at time of sale, balance in 30 d or may leave mortgage of $400 at six per cent.

Terms—All sums of $10.00 under, cash; over that amour months credit on approved secur 4 per cent discount for cash on ounts over ten dollars. No arti to be removed until settled for.

E. R. READ, Proprietor.
U. O. KENDRICK, Clerk.
WELB ALMAS, Auctioneer.

Auction Sal
Of Farm Stock and Chattels

Welby Almas has been instru by Mr. Joseph Clapsattle to sel public auction, at his farm, at Ca ville, on

Thursday, March 15th

at one o'clock sharp.

Stock Horses—1 bay pacer, 1 horse, 1 brown horse.

Cattle—1 grade Jersey cow, f in April; 2 good heifers, 1 year

Poultry—75 Plymouth Rock h

Harness—1 set double har with breeching; 1 set single harn one Gladstone, 1 top buggy, 1 de crat, 1 two-horse covered large wagon, 1 cart, 1 lumber wagon stock rack, 1 cutter, 1 pair sleighs, Marry-Harris.

Implements—1 Frost and W cultivator and seeder, 1 mo Massey-Harris; 1 horse rake, C shutt Plow No. 21, 1 horse p Verity, Cockshutt 2-furrow plow potato hiller, 1 corn planter, hand seeder, 4-section iron harr 1 wheelbarrow, 1 orchard disk strawberry cultivator, 1 horse c vator, 1 fanning mill, 1 Lor Sprays motor, one cut box, 20 bushel measures, forks, h shovels.

Hay—10 tons timothy hay, 75 oats, 30 bags, two stepladders, 3 extension ladder, one cream sep tor, Bluehill; 1 daisy churn, w ing machine, 1 oak bedroom s complete, mattress and spri chairs, carpets, curtains, tables.

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Notice to Creditors

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRY MOR SHELLARD, DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that persons having claims of any na against the estate of Henry Mo Shellard, late of the City of Br ford, in the County of Brant, ge man, deceased are required to same together with proof thereo the undersigned solicitors for administrator of the said estate later than the First day of A 1917, after which date the said ministrator will proceed to di bute the assets of the said es among the parties entitled the having regard only to the claim which they shall then have rece notice.

DATED at Brantford this twe day of March, A.D., 1917.

BREWSTER & HEYD,
Solicitors for Administrat