

LIFE ON MANITOULIN.

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Editorial: I have been elected to the important position of secretary of the building committee of the East Lake Presbyterian church.

We had a meeting in a school-house about three miles from this to consider the advisability of erecting a church at the school-house in the neighborhood.

to accommodate the increasing congregations that assemble every Sunday for divine service, no matter what the weather is.

This is the only popularity of frontier life, the cause of which is my investigation at a future time.

Mr. Wippi was in the chair. The meeting was unanimous in desiring a church, and at five o'clock of those present were Scotch or of Scotch descent.

resolutions were passed that the church be a Presbyterian church, that it be built in a central location, and at an early date as possible, and that a building committee be elected there and then for the purpose of soliciting subscriptions in money, materials or work, and of selecting and purchasing a suitable site.

Mr. Wippi made his debut as a public speaker on this occasion. His face wore an amusing look of gravity that indicated the importance he attached to his entrance into public life.

He spoke as follows: "Mr. Chairman and gentlemen, I like this here minister, and though, in respect that I sat under a Methodist chaplain when I was a kid, I might have wished to sail under the same flag until I tied up in port, yet being as this here fringe is to hold the Presbyterian flag, and as the other flag likely to be launched for some time yet, why I'll sign the ship's papers, and stand by her through sunshine and squall, blow high, blow low, and shipmate, no man can say to ever saw Jack sign a far from the water-carrying in rosin tops in the deck at sea ever was out in. He can't, shipmate. And, shipmate, I reckon the admiral of the port ain't going to ask me what ship I sailed on, provided I got into harbor all right, and my parchment shows that I have done my duty below and aloft as a light seaman should. That's how I look at it, shipmate, and I hope that when the bill goes for divvying on the deck of the Port admiral's flag ship, when the helm pipes all hands for muster by the gun, that Jack Logan and all the shipmates here will be ready to lay off. I'm sure the officer of this here water (pointing to Mr. Wippi) will be there to make and trim and with gold stripes enough to make a flying jib. Howsoever shipmate this ain't the sack I intended talking about when I got up here to propose my friend and shipmate P. Wippi as minister in this here business. Sometimes he comes to me, and sometimes he makes a mistake in his reckoning, as all on us are apt to do, but in other places, on observations I have taken on his line since he moved alongside of me, I think he is just the man for the berth. Shipmate I believe."

Sam Jenkins seconded my nomination, remarking that "I wrote a pretty fair letter a good shagger, a good digger and dandy with a shaggy coat. My qualifications were deemed sufficient, and I was unanimously elected to the important and respectable position of secretary of the building committee of East Lake Presbyterian church. My companions in glory are J. McDermid, J. P. John, Sheppard, the justice and the general, the two last being treasurer and chairman respectively. I don't know how long the judge and the general have held their titles, nor how or where they got them. I do not even know their proper names. All I do know is that they are very prominent characters in our little community and even outside of it, for every settler on the island knows the judge and the general either personally or by reputation, and no one socially gathering is considered a success unless one or both are present. The judge is a short, stocky, muscular man, with a pleasant laughing face, and a downright hearty manner that makes you like the man at once. The general at first gives you the impression of a sour, disappointed man, but as you listen to him talking on any subject that interests him, you feel that he can be a very pleasant fellow when he likes. The judge keeps a general store, and the general deals in railroad ties, stove stoves, lamp look backs, and other products of our backwoods. Both are close on forty years of age, and teachers.

I do not know whether it is the same in other new countries, but in Manitoulin we have a great many nicknames, which the bearers seem to be rather proud of than otherwise, and I notice that in some localities they are purely military, a drummer boy, sergeant, corporal, lieutenant, major and quartermaster. The quartermaster is a young storekeeper who will yet be one of the foremost men in Algoma. He has brains and energy enough for ten men. "Nifty," "Young fellow" (in a sixty) "Howland Rights," "Daquin," "Trotty Vack," "Whisperer" (he talks loud enough to be heard half a mile away) "Yumbo" (the smallest man in the settlement), "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego" (three brothers of a Jewish cast of countenance), are the names by which a few of my neighbors are known.

A good story is told of "Nifty" and the "Whisperer," who both were in a lumber camp shortly last winter. Nifty, who is fairly well and wonderfully well, does not like to be reminded of his infirmity, and is besides of a morose, irritable disposition, was one of the foremost men of the teamsters, who, from the nature of their employment, cannot always be present at the regular meal hours in the shanty, and have consequently to be waded on by the cook whenever they can get to it. Nifty had an antipathy to all teamsters, but especially to the Whisperer, whose morose countenance seemed to Nifty to be a constant reflection on his deafness. The bickering between the two were constant and violent, and were a source of endless amusement to the other inmates of the shanty. Nifty generally came out second best in these encounters, and after a time he ceased to wrangle with his tormentor, and went about his work in dogged silence. It was the Whisperer who gave the boys a laugh however, he had only to watch until he could get Nifty's eye, then, putting his hand to the side of his mouth without uttering the softest tone he would indicate that something and strange of a person bawling at the top of his voice. This always threw Nifty into a paroxysm of rage, and he would yell back: "What the devil are you ranting at? Do you think I don't hear you? There, d— you, eat till you burst." He always wound up by throwing the table a supply of bread and meat, as he took it for granted that the Whisperer would not ask him for anything else.

I may state that the outlook for the early completion of our church is good. Pioneers as a rule are not half-hearted men, nor do they. Even old Barbara bridge is now being pulled up by the roots, and the crematorium gardens (which might well have been preserved with their noble trees as a place of public recreation) have fallen a prey to the speculative builder, and are now the "Crematorium estate" in small bits.

AN ADVOCATE OF FORCE.

English Workmen Supporting Revolt Under the Flag of Freedom.

A London correspondent thus describes one of the scenes at the recent demonstration in Trafalgar square:

I went up to one of the groups in which a discussion was being held, with a view of gathering the opinions of the demonstrators when uttered with more freedom than can be expected in a set speech made even in an open-air meeting. One man, who was the only one of the group who spoke with a voice of authority, was a young man, who was a member of the group.

There were also some with the flag, but they were not the only ones. Some of the men were wearing military uniforms, and some were wearing civilian clothes.

The speaker was a young man, who was a member of the group. He was speaking with a voice of authority, and his words were being listened to with interest.

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ALL AROUND THE WORLD.

Mr. O'Connell of Wells county, Ind., is 91 years old, and her fourteen children are all alive, the eldest being 71, the youngest 14.

This flood has been a great thing for the old Boston families. They will now trace their families back to antediluvian days, as their forefathers lived before the deluge.

Mr. J. H. Sheffer of Greenborough, N.C., having recently given birth to twin boys, making eleven boys in all in his family, the North Star has put her on the list, and offers the same premium to every "daughter" afflicted country who presents her husband with male twins.

They have high license with a vengeance in Ontario. Mr. Liquor retailers must pay \$100 a year, and there is a heavy penalty for drinking, dice or dominoes are played in the districts. No games are allowed in saloons, and there are no more no-pain, letting or cheating to obstruct the windows.

A Chautauque county cheese maker went to Idaho the other day and brought back a fine imported Swiss cheese. All praise be to his wife, who after the praise had been said, had a good husband's privilege make up the cheese. He had paid thirty cents a pound for the very best that he had made and sold for five cents.

A few years ago, the Montreal Witness, being a strong temperance journal, refused to publish advertisements of saloons. One day, however, it published an advertisement for "Rehearsers for Sale," and giving name and place. It was the announcement of a party of saloon keepers who were to meet in Montreal.

Albert Victor Edward, eldest son of the Prince of Wales, is described as a shy, boyish-looking young fellow, who doesn't like to be photographed, and is usually accompanied by his mother, whom he resembles in character and features.

Way Agnew and John Brasher of Toronto, who were arrested for being drunk, were released on bail for the night. At the close of the services they renewed an old quarrel, and Brasher, who was usually wounded Agnew and then escaped.

Charley Hodges and another 16-year-old boy of Toronto, who were arrested for guarding "old Mr. Hodges' hen roost" the other day. They had a right good time, and the hen roost was destroyed. Mr. Hodges' hen roost was destroyed, and the hen roost was destroyed.

Samuel Davidson of "Oxydion," Ill., tried to keep his wife from leaving him to keep her warm. A lot of his neighbors teased him the other evening, when one of them, who we will call Avery, with his face aglow with knowledge, struggling for expression, ejaculated: "Oxy, teacher, I know who is a good Christian."

"Well," replied the teacher, "who is it?" "Oxy," he replied with emphasis, "is a good Christian, for he is a good Christian."

"Well, tell us why you think he is a good Christian," said the teacher. "Oxy," he replied, "he is a good Christian, for he is a good Christian."

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