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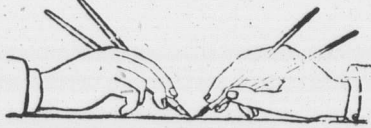
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DEATH OF WRILEY SMITH

"Uncle" Wriley Smith died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Stevens, Elgin street, on Friday last, in the 97th year of his age. His health of body and strength of mind were wonderfully preserved up to the very last, and he has always been able to enjoy the society of his friends and to move about without assistance. He was seriously ill only three days. Uncle Wriley possessed in an uncommon degree the esteem of young and old in the community in which he dwelt. His great age was properly venerated and his stories of pioneer life as he experienced it in this section were always heard with pleasure. He was a member of the Methodist church and up to a short time ago was invariably present at public worship.

Mr. Smith's grandfather, Reuben Smith, was a native of England, but left the home land for Germany, on account of the persecution of the Puritans to which he belonged. From Germany he came to America, first settling in Massachusetts, from whence he came to the Canadian wilderness and settled near where Elbe now stands. Otis a son of Reuben and Wriley's father, was then a boy of some fifteen years. The family belong to the Society of Friends, in which Otis was a minister. Wriley was born in 1810, near Athens, and has seen many changes since his early life, in people and conditions, and his reminiscences would make an interesting volume. He remembered when Athens consisted of one house, a log tavern, standing where C. L. Lami's store now is, which was kept by John Dixon.

In 1833 Mr. Smith married Mary Ann Slack, daughter of Samuel Slack, and she passed away some 30 years ago. Their early home was at Charleston, and young Smith was known as an accurate marksman and bear, deer and all kinds of game fell victims to his unerring aim. For fifty-five years Mr. Smith has been a member of the Methodist church, and politically the views of the Liberal party more closely coincided with his own. He has living 6 children, 25 grand children, 50 great grand children, and one great great grand child.

His children are: J. B. Smith, Charleston; Mrs. T. G. Stevens, Mrs. Geo. Stevens, Mrs. J. Robinson, Athens; Mrs. (Rev.) J. E. Robinson, Guelph, and Mrs. Beers, Morton.

The funeral was held on Sunday morning, an impressive service being conducted in the Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. S. J. Hughes, who took for his text Job V, 26, and the lesson was I Thess. chp. 4. The sermon was most appropriate to the departure of this aged father in Israel.

The pallbearers were Messrs. W. H. Jacob and James Patterson and his grandsons Messrs. Walter Smith of Athens, George of Brantford, James and Benson of Watertown.

VILLAGE COUNCIL

The regular monthly meeting of the village council was held on Monday at 2 p.m. A. W. Blanchard filed his declaration and qualification of office and took his seat. The reeve and all the councillors were present. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. The clerk read the draft of the by-law for the appointment of village officers and on motion of Judson and Taylor the by-law was introduced read a first and second time and the blanks filled in as follows: B. Loverin, clerk, salary \$65.00; J. P. Lamb, treasurer, salary \$25.00; T. S. Kendrick and Irwin Wiltse, auditors, \$5 each; Drs. Purvis and Moore and T. G. Stevens, local board of health; T. R. Beale, high school trustee; B. Loverin, janitor of hall and caretaker of fire engine, salary \$50.00, with the privilege of charging parties occupying auditorium for more than two meetings a sum per meeting to be mutually agreed upon. The appointment of assessor and chief of police was laid over to a special meeting to be held on Friday, 8th inst., at 2 p.m., when the question of street lighting will also be considered.

B. LOVERIN, Village Clerk.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY

Mr. Wm. Richardson, Inspector of the House of Industry, reports, in part, as follows, for the year 1906:— "The institution during the past year has been doing very successful work, having a larger number of inmates who as a rule are contented and happy, being kept very clean and fed

on good and suitable food and very kindly treated by the manager and matron.

"The addition of the new verandahs, which the council of 1906 caused to be erected, will add very much to the comfort of the inmates and is a very great improvement to the appearance of the building.

"The farm in the past has been carefully and satisfactorily handled, and the result has been very satisfactory.

"The stock on the farm is always kept in a good manner, and every care appears to be taken with regard to them.

"The management and control of a large number of aged people and attending to their many wants, especially when many of these people have been without control and in want, destitution and filth for many years, is of a very trying nature, and I feel that these united counties may congratulate themselves upon the efficiency of the present management.

SCHOOL LAW AMENDMENT

When the new school law for Ontario was passed it early became apparent that the clauses dealing with the salaries of teachers were very unpopular in the rural sections. The farmers regarded these clauses as being a reflection on their intelligence and business ability. In this section they voiced their resentment in letters to the Reporter and in other parts of the province by resolutions of school boards, township and county councils, with the result that the coercion features in respect to both salary and equipment are to be largely modified.

The Premier's statement was as follows:— "The situation as to rural schools is:

"(1) We have found that there is not a sufficient number of properly qualified teachers to meet the demand under the present law, and that this condition of affairs is likely to continue, to a greater or less extent, until the new normal schools are established and begin their work.

"(2) It has become evident that considerable difficulty will arise in working out the provisions of the law as to increased salaries dependent upon the assessments, which vary very much.

"For these reasons we think it best to make certain changes in the law as follows:—

"(a) The minimum grant of \$300 per annum by the township to each school section for salary will be retained.

"(b) An unconditional grant of \$15.00 per annum will be made to each section.

"(c) A grant will be made for the purposes of equipment and accommodation, and

"(d) A grant of 40 per cent. will be made on the excess of all salaries above \$300 and up to \$600.

"This will work out as follows:— Appropriation for equipment and accommodation, \$60,000; appropriation of \$15 to each section, \$30,000; appropriation of 40 per cent on salaries over \$300, \$24,000; a total of \$380,000.

"The last annual grant to rural schools by the late Government was \$118,000. We increased this last year by \$60,000.

"To recapitulate, the total of proposed grants to rural schools this year is \$380,000; the last grant by the late Government was \$118,000; therefore the increase by the present Government is \$262,000."

Local Option Recount

The recount and scrutiny of the ballots cast in the local option contest in Rear Leeds and Lansdowne took place at Lyndhurst on Friday last. The result was to leave the official count unchanged, viz: 216 against the by law and 320 for, leaving Local Option defeated by four, so far as the ballots counted were concerned, but there were twenty ballots put in, four or five of which were marked both for and against and about sixteen were blank ballots. As three-fifths of the electors voting are required to approve, it was argued that Local Option was really defeated by over sixteen. It was also argued that as three electors voted, who it was alleged were not qualified to vote, the election should be declared void.

Argument of counsel in respect to the matter is to be heard by Judge Reynolds in Brockville to-day.

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