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B. LOVERIN.

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B. Loverin, Prop'r.

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The usual problem confronts you—same old trouble as last year. "It's hard to find things to give men and boys." If you find it so, a visit to our up-to-date store will help you to decide and afford you a relief. Our store is full of good sensible articles for a man's or boy's Christmas gift. Run your eyes down the list, you will certainly strike something *he* will be delighted to have.

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Give me a call when wanting anything in my line.

Wm. Karley,
Main St., Athens.

THE LAST WEEK IN MODEL

On Tuesday, Dec. 9th, the Athens Model Class of 1903 assembled in its entirety for the last time. The students in attendance took advantage of that opportunity to express to Mr. McIntosh their sincere and heart-felt gratitude for his earnest and untiring efforts in preparing them for their future work. After Mr. Lee had been voted to the chair, the feelings of the class were appropriately expressed by Miss Ritter, Mr. Bruce and Mr. Jones. An address was then read by Miss Singleton and the chairman presented the principal with a fountain pen, as a slight token of the regard which the class entertained for him.

The students were busily employed, on the two succeeding days, in writing on their departmental exams which were, on the whole, very satisfactory. On Friday the final teaching lessons were continued and examined by Inspectors Kinney and Johnston, who, through their pleasing manner and just judgments have made many friends among the modelites.

As a suitable termination to the happy days spent in Athens, during the past four months, a party of some twenty five of the students drove to Phillipsville on the evening of Monday, Dec. 15th, where they were cordially welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Charland and their daughter, Ardella, one of the modelites. Here they spent a very pleasant evening. At ten o'clock a repast, which partook of the nature of an oyster supper, was served and greatly enjoyed by most present. Around the board passed many jokes and jests, which tended to enliven the spirits of all. Games in which all could join, were again employed until the midnight hour was reached. Mr. McIntosh, in moving a vote of thanks, very ably expressed the feelings of the class towards their host and hostesses for the generous hospitality which they had displayed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Cughan, and a vote of thanks tendered Mr. and Mrs. Charland and Ardella. The evening's entertainment was formally brought to a close by singing "God Save the King."

While preparations were being made for the homeward drive, the principal lucidly explained the advantages of a reunion. Several of the class also expressed their sentiments in that regard, with the result that Misses Davis and Wiltsie and Mr. Jones, of this year's class, and Mr. Rhodes, of last year's class, were appointed to consummate the plans and to effect a reunion of the two classes. "All aboard" was shouted, and soon all were enjoying the pleasant midnight drive home, which was reached at an early hour.

The time has come when we must bid each other and our Athenian friends good bye. We have enjoyed ourselves immensely and regret leaving. But, as the mighty avalanche sweeping down the mountain side bears away many of its constituent parts, so time sweeping along bears us out to the work God has destined for us. The sadness of parting is mitigated by the thought that we are soon to labor for the welfare of humanity, to instruct the youth of our land, and to build up a nation that shall, at least, be intelligent, innocent, patriotic and Christian. Good-bye.

MODELITES.

TEACHERS WANTED

A Northwest correspondent calls attention to the increasing demand for school teachers in the Northwest Territories. He points out that on Dec. 31, 1898, there were 579 districts in the Northwest Territories, and in the past four years new districts have been organized as follows:—1899, 51; 1900, 49; 1901, 83; 1902, about 110. It is estimated that 250 new teachers will be required for 1903, and last year 150 Ontario teachers went west. The average salary paid is \$45 a month. To partially relieve the situation the Territorial Government has arranged for an additional session of the Territorial Normal School, to be held at Regina, commencing January 5th, next. Persons holding Ontario junior and senior leaving standing are entitled to admission. The west must look to Ontario and eastern Provinces to supply the increasing demand for teachers, and, as there are good opportunities for energetic and ambitious young men and women, doubtless many Ontario teachers will find their way to the golden west.

VILLAGE COUNCIL

The municipal council of Athens met on Monday evening last to wind up the business of the year. All the members present. Minutes of last meeting read, approved and signed. Clerk read a number of bills and communications.

A by-law to fix places for holding municipal and school trustee elections and appoint D.R.O. was introduced and laid over for special meeting. On motion, the resignation of W. A. Lewis as a trustee of the high school was accepted, and the council by resolution recorded its appreciation of Mr. Lewis' valuable assistance in furthering the interests of the high school and regret at his removal from the village.

On motion, the following bills were ordered to be paid and orders drawn on treasurer for the same: G. W. Brown, \$1.00 for cleaning stovepipes in lockup and \$1.30 for shoveling snow in front of Mrs. Jas. Kilbren's lot, this sum to be added to her taxes for 1903, if not sooner paid; T. R. Beale, \$2.01 for registering deed of town hall site; I. C. Alguire, \$9.90, as part expenses of architect re plans for town hall; B. Loverin, \$8.15, amount paid Toronto Globe for advertising sale of debentures; B. Loverin, clerk, postage and stationery, \$2.50, making out collector's slips, \$1.00, printing and advertising town hall by-law, \$49.77; J. P. Lamb, \$3.85, for expenses attending provincial auditor, Brockville, and ledger and blanks for office; H. R. Knowlton, reeve, \$5.00, expenses of two trips to Brockville in connection with purchase of plank road and county road scheme.

On motion, the collector was given a few days extension of time in which to complete the collection of taxes.

On motion, Councillors Smith, Jacob, and Taylor were appointed a committee to interview P. P. Slack regarding drainage account against him, and endeavor to arrive at a satisfactory settlement of the same.

Orders were drawn on the treasurer for salaries and other expenses as per by-law or resolution of council, and the council adjourned to meet in special session on Friday evening, 19th inst.

B. LOVERIN, Village Clerk.

CHRISTMAS PASTORAL

To the members of the Church of England in the Diocese of Ontario:

Dear Brethren,—The near approach of Christmas, when we commemorate the bestowment of that costliest of all God's many gifts to us, the gift of His Son, by Whom we have deliverance from sin and death, reminds me that I should call your attention to the privilege which that Sacred Festival gives you, of supplementing by a liberal offering the income of him who ministers to you in holy things. The prosperity resulting from the bountiful harvest, with which God has blessed our land, and which sooner or later will give every one cause to rejoice, is likely to reach the clergy last of all.

I pray you, therefore, out of your abundance, and as an expression of gratitude to God, Who giveth all, to give as God has prospered you.

"When Jesus was born," we read, "the wise men from the East presented unto him gifts," and the first of these was "gold," to provide for the needs of the holy family.

Christmas Day gives you a like opportunity of making an offering for Christ's Sake.

By gladdening the homes of the clergy with generous gifts, which you can well afford in this wonderful year, when God has opened His hand and filled your own homes with plenty, you will be doing the will of God.

I would also suggest that the day be observed as a Communicants' Reunion, in every parish; the happy social and family reunions, customary on that day, to be begun, and sanctified by a loving and thankful approach to the Lord's Table. Christ in the heart, and in the home, will make a happy heart and a happy home.

Wishing you all a very happy Christmas, and God's continual presence and blessing.

I remain,
Your faithful friend and Bishop,
W. L. ONTARIO.

Bishop's Court, Kingston, December 1st, 1902.

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BROCKVILLE PRESBYTERY

At the recent meeting of Brockville Presbytery at Lyn, Dr. Stuart presented a report on home missions within the bounds of the Presbytery, setting forth that Morton and Lyndhurst were now enjoying the services of an ordained missionary, and were aiming at becoming an augmented charge; also that North Augusta, Stone's Corners, and Fairfield were now seeking the status of a charge, with a settle minister.

The moderator welcomed Mr. McConnell, of Morton, to the Presbytery, who in turn, addressed the court on the prospects in his new field, which were very encouraging.

A general discussion followed as to the advisability of appointing a missionary at Jones' Falls and Chaffey's Locks, next summer.

Mr. Cumming reported favorably on the General Assembly's "Aids to Social Worship," and the same was approved of by the Presbytery.

The clerk was instructed to urge all sessions to send in to him all statistical and financial reports not later than the first of February.

It was agreed to hold the next regular meeting of the Presbytery at Iroquois, on the last Monday in February, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

J. S. Willison, holding the position of editor of the Toronto Globe since 1890, has resigned and will start an Independent morning paper, in which he will be associated with J. W. Flavell, who will supply the capital for the new venture; no money to come from any other source. The new paper will be strictly Independent.

MARBLE ROCK DAM

At the session of the High Court at Kingston this week the Gananoque Water Power Company and certain Lansdowne farmers will tell what they know about the flooding of land caused by the company's Marble Rock dam. The Whig says the case is of great importance, as there are about thirty plaintiffs who have large claims for damages.

The plaintiffs contend that the company in the spring of 1901, by means of a dam at Marble Rock, on the Gananoque River, hemmed back the water and overflowed the lands, destroying the growing crops and meadows.

They claim that the company's facilities for passing water through the dam are insufficient and not properly managed, and that the course of the river is obstructed. There will be close on 100 witnesses, and the case will last considerable time. Very expensive preparations have been made for the trial, eminent engineers and surveyors having been employed.

You can send no more acceptable present to an absent friend than a copy of Crawford C. Slack's book of "Village Verse Stories," to be obtained at the Reporter Office for 50c.

The department of agriculture will hold a seed fair at Ottawa in March next. Prizes will be offered for farmers exhibiting seed grain of the best standard quality in bulk lots of two bushels each, and addresses will be delivered by prominent agriculturists who will point out the good and qualities of the seed.

—If you require a new suit of cloth for Christmas, see our assortment.—S. Kendrick.

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