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OUR LETTER BOX

A PERSONAL LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF ONTARIO

Glencoe, Ont. April 25th, 1924.

The Blue Water Highway Association are not only doing wrong and trying to impose on the people of Ontario, but are making a fatal mistake as far as their own interests, the American tourist and the people of Ontario are concerned in asking for approximately forty-six miles of expensive Provincial Highway between Sarnia and Grand Bend for Sarnia's interests only, where only a scenic drive is necessary.

Only thirteen miles of additional Provincial Highway are necessary to directly connect Sarnia and Grand Bend by the present improved Provincial Highway running north and through Arkona, which forms part of the proposed Central Cross-country Highway, the business and trucking road that serves all Ontario

The road between Sarnia and Grand Bend passing through the Pinery and along the south shore of Lake Huron is Ontario's most beautiful drive, but is only useful a few months in the summer as a pleasure drive. This road through the Pinery, extending through the Indian Reserve, including the Ipperwash Beach and Kettle Point, should be Government Park drive and all its natural windings and beauty retained.

Lambton's greed in trying to detour Ontario's highways are straightening the Pinery road and destroying all its scenic value, and are depriving the American tourist and the people of Ontario of one of our greatest national attractions—a winding drive through miles of forest.

The waste sand land south of Grand Bend can be made a Government revenue producer by making it a Government park, forest and game preserve and include Lake Smith as a bird sanctuary.

This waste land is Ontario's greatest natural park, owing to its central location a few hours motor trip from any part of Western Ontario and its many natural attractions, such as Lake Smith, a beautiful inland lake on the proposed Central Highway, as a bird haven; the drainage canal and Aux Sables river, twenty-five miles of inland water at lake level, connected with Lake Huron at Port Franks and Grand Bend and Lake Huron, for summer homes, boating and fishing; the sand hills, mountains high, for their scenic value, forest preserve and haunt for deer; the winding Pinery road through miles of forest, the proposed Central Highway and the Klondyke or River road as scenic drives.

The proposed Central Highway links all South-western Ontario with this natural park.

I wish to thank the many prominent men in public life, members of Parliament, wardens, ex-wardens, Reeves and ex-Reeves, for their press letter favouring the proposed Central Cross-country Highway, published in the Press several months ago.

The Central Highway is the one

and only direct road between Grand Bend and the Talbot Highway, the one road that serves Middlesex and Elgin as well as the countries west, the shortest, cheapest and best provincial highway link, ten miles of which is now improved provincial highway intersecting the three present provincial highways running east and west and linking all south-western Ontario with this natural park and the countries of Huron, Grey and Bruce.

This letter is written in the interests of the present and future generations of Ontario, and I implore the people of Ontario to take an interest in this cause—save if possible the Pinery and its wild life—save if possible the original winding Pinery road for its scenic value. This road is not a necessary linking road, does not need straightening and should be kept as an improved Provincial park drive for its scenic value.

Alfred E. Aldred

WATFORD IN 1857

The Editor of the Guide-Advocate, Watford, Ontario.

The other day there fell into my hands a copy of the Canada Directory for the year 1867-1868, and I was much interested to find Watford listed in it in the following terms:—

Watford: A new village in the township of Warwick and County of Lambton. It is contiguous to a station of the Sarnia branch of the Great Western Railway. Distant from Sarnia 27 miles, and from London 40 miles. Mail bi-weekly. Population about 50. Browne, Richard, postmaster, notary public, and land agent. Harris, Robert, proprietor of the Watford Hotel. Harrower, Andrew, Councillor. Harrower, George, J. P. Harrower, James, storekeeper. Smyth, Rev. James Church of England, rector. Williamson, and Calvert, storekeepers.

This is probably the first appearance of the name "Watford" in any Canadian Directory. Wyoming is mentioned in the same Directory, and was then much larger than Watford, as was also Warwick village. Petrolia is not listed at all and was then not in existence. London is given as a thriving town of almost sixteen thousand population. Toronto is described as the metropolis of Upper Canada, with a teeming population of about fifty thousand.

In view of the approaching Old Boys' celebration, the above facts concerning Watford's infancy should be interesting.

A. W. Hone.

The Parsonage, Bondhead, Ont.

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ARE "SLOT" MACHINES LEGAL?

Editor, Guide-Advocate, If I have been given to understand right, there is a fine for having "Slot" machines attached to the outside of a building on Sundays for children to operate; as they are likely to use Sunday school collections in this way. Does this law apply to Watford? If so, please answer through your paper, for the benefit of those who are not aware of it. I notice one in use every Sunday here.—Reader.

Note:—Although we do not pretend to keep up with the multitudinous statutes and amendments to statutes inflicted upon us by the various governing councils, our opinion would be that if a manufacturer is permitted to build and sell these vending machines the merchant must be permitted to use them. Perhaps some interested authority could enlighten us.

SPEECH FROM THRONE IN CROMWELL'S TIME

The mild language used by his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor in proroguing the Ontario Legislature the other day contrasts strongly with the words of Oliver Cromwell in dissolving the Long Parliament, which a reader recently in London secured in the London Museum and sends to me. Those were different days, and when Cromwell, the dictator, sent home the members of Parliament who had overstayed their welcome and their usefulness he was scoring heavily for the democracy of a later day. Cromwell said:

It is high time for me to put an end to your sitting in this place, which you have dishonored by your contempt of all Virtue and defiled by your practise of every vice. Ye are a factious crew and enemies to all good government. Ye are a pack of mercenary wretches, and would, like Esau, sell your country for a mess of pottage, and like Judas, betray your God for a few pieces of money. Is there any Virtue now remaining amongst you? Is there one Vice you do not possess? Gold is your God. Which of you have not bartered your conscience for bribes? Is there a man amongst you that has the least care for the good of the "Commonwealth"? Ye sordid prostitutes, have you not defiled this Sacred place and turned the Lord's Temple into a den of thieves? Ye are grown intolerably odious to the whole nation. Ye were deputed here to get grievances redressed. Are not yourselves become the greatest grievance? Your country therefore calls upon me to cleanse this Augean stable by putting a final period to your iniquitous proceedings in this House, and which, by God's help and the strength He has given me, I am now come to do. I command ye, therefore, upon the peril of your lives, to depart immediately out of this place. Go get you gone; make haste! Ye Vena! Slaves! Begone! So take away that shing bauble there and lock up the doors.

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"Enclosed please find one dollar as membership fee for Watford 'Old Boys'. Yours truly, J. A. Waugh, Imperial, Sask.

"Dear Sir—Just to sincerely thank you for your cordial invitation to attend 'Old Home Week' and to say I will certainly be home. Enclosed find membership fee."—Lloyd Harper, Detroit.

"Old Boys' membership fee."—George Harrower, Thedford.

"Dear Sir—I have received your cordial invitation to attend the 'Old Boys' Reunion.' You may rest assured that I will be among those present. The good time I had at the last reunion is a sure guarantee of my coming again. I am enclosing a post office order of one dollar for membership fee. Looking forward to August 17th.—W. H. Lovell, Champaign, Ill.

"Dear Sir—Your kind invitation for 'Old Home Week' to hand. We have put in a plea with the gods of chance to be permitted to join the bunch. Fee enclosed, with best wishes I am sincerely yours."—R. A. Minielly, Dunblane, Sask.

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