

Twenty-five cords of wood in taking his daily exercise. Mr. McLaughlin was one of Mornington's Grand Old Men and was highly respected and beloved by the whole community in which he lived for so many years.

ANDREW BIESINGER

Andrew Biesinger and wife settled on Lot 11, Con. 12, in 1847, when the whole country side was a wild and uninhabited stretch of virgin forest. Andrew Biesinger, George Stemmler, Peter John Foerster, Anthony Haid, Peter Ritz, Joseph Veitenheimer and Walter Gohl were the men through whose instrumentality the R. C. Separate School Section and St. Mary's Parish were established. The first inhabitants of the Hesson district passed through a long period of penury but latterly their efforts have been crowned with success and the community has become one of peace and plenty.

SAMUEL LYTTLE

Another of the early settlers on the townline north was Samuel Lyttle. He was born in Ireland in 1828 and coming to this country he settled on lot 13, con. 14, where he lived to an advanced age. Always enjoying good health, Mr. Lyttle was able to do considerable farm work during almost the whole of his long life. The settlers in this part of the township came in from the east and their places of business were Glenallan, Elora and Waterloo and they were very far from a railway for many years after settling on the townline. Mr. Lyttle died in 1915 at the age of 87.

WOMANHOOD FRANCHISE

The granting to women of the right to vote will make a number of important changes in municipal affairs. The assessment and collectors' rolls will be greatly enlarged. Mornington will be entitled to have a deputy-reeve and the County Council will be nearly doubled in membership unless statutes in that regard be amended. New relationships will be created all round. Woman in respect to all that is due to her by creation and right is the equal of man. This equality has never been recognized or granted by the written or unwritten laws of nations and communities. All through the ages woman has been given a secondary place by him who called

himself lord and master. In this struggle for equality how did woman win out? By proving herself to be the equal of man in many of the pursuits in life. This inequality of privileges has long been a withered branch on the tree of human life and it is high time to lop the mouldering branch away. Ex-premier Asquith, in his speech recently made in the British House of Commons in favor of womanhood franchise, said that owing to the great work done by the women of Britain to help win the war they were entitled to the franchise. To say that women should earn the franchise is to turn the gold to dross. The franchise is woman's right, not any man's gift or reward for anything she has done.

Some men view this extension of the franchise with misgiving, predicting a state of affairs that will result in unseemly canvassing and family discord. Woman voters will be thoughtful voters and in the majority of cases they will be silent voters. There is no danger that women will be likely to run amuck in the street. In the exercise of the franchise women have a great opportunity to show self-restraint and the silent power peculiar to their sex. The pen will be a powerful instrument in the hand of a good woman now that she has power among the rulers of the nations. That women will measure up to the greatness of their opportunities need scarcely be doubted. We should judge that the evil of party politics and wobbling governments will receive a jolt that will stagger the workers of iniquity. The greatest good that women can do in this connection is to give a moral up-lift to the government of their nation for it has not been past finding out that in the government of many nations there has been something "rotten in Denmark."

Some may think this is a rosy picture of the fair voters of the future but no attempt has been made to have it too highly colored. Should women allow their franchise to degenerate in political clap-trap then the citadel of government will become like the parabolical house into which entered the perfect number of spirits more evil than the former inhabitants and the last estate of that house was worse than the first. Therefore it is up to the women to whom the franchise has been given to maintain the best traditions of her sex in other spheres of life.