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W. W. HAY NOMINATED.

FOR MAYOR BY A MEETING OF
CITIZENS.

Statement Made by the Outgoing Mayor and Council.—Meeting Appoints a Committee Which Proposes Names for Candidature.

The annual town meeting was held on Monday evening, in the town hall. Mr. Sam'l Watts presided and there was a good attendance.

The Mayor was the first speaker. He reviewed the work of the council during the past year, pointing out causes which led in many cases to overdrafts in the various departments. By reason of the sewers the bonded indebtedness had been increased some \$10,000. This was added to the \$10,000 expended on the sewers during the previous year. All the debentures issued since he took office had been issued at 4%, one at par, and the others at a premium. There were at present some debentures bringing 6%. He would advise that they be called in, as no doubt they could be re-issued at 4%. Dealing with the sewers, it was almost impossible for the council to know just exactly what they would cost, but it was difficult to stop short when a small expenditure would complete a certain piece of work. With regard to the waterworks the estimated receipts were \$5,000, whereas \$5,235 had been collected. Nothing had been received from sewers. While there might be a good deal in making them free, he thought it would be better that the system of charging for entrance should be followed until they extended so that they were available to everyone. It was his opinion that the reduction of the council from ten to six was a mistake. It meant too much work on the six. He believed it would be a good scheme for the town to hire some good man—just such a man as Mr. Munro, and give him charge of the waterworks, electric light, sewers, etc., and by so doing there would be a saving to the town. Concluding he thanked the electors for the trust they had reposed in him.

The chairman then asked anybody who wished to put any questions to the Mayor.

U. R. Hanson—What is the bank deficit at the present time?

The Mayor—The amount according to the treasurer's account is \$2147.28.

Does that include all cheques issued this month?

No! it does not just as it did not when you were Mayor.

G. A. White—Where did the money come from expended on the sewers?

The Mayor—It came from the bank where a good deal of money comes from.

Mr. White—What authority did you have to get the money?

The Mayor—We did not have very much authority, 'tis a fact. However, if the matter was looked into, it would be found that we had authority to run up as far as \$5000.

F. B. Carvell—About how much money in cheques issued last month is not included in your statement?

The Mayor—I do not know how many. There might be 200 or 200.

Mr. Carvell—Are there no other cheques issued, but not paid, which you know of?

The Mayor—I cannot call to mind any.

Mr. Carvell—Is the cheque drawn on Mr. Gregory, and not paid, included?

The Mayor—It is not included, as we have a bill against Mr. Gregory for taxes.

Jas. Drysdale—Can the mayor state if the sewers in Wellington ward are working all right at the present time?

The Mayor—I will ask Mr. Dickinson.

To Mr. Dickinson—Are you satisfied with the working of the sewer. Yes. Do you have any difficulty? No difficulty at all.

Coun. R. B. Jones, the next speaker, submitted the following statement of the bonded indebtedness of the town:

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS TOWN OF WOODSTOCK JAN. '97.

Nature.	Amount	Total	Rate of Interest
Consolidated,.....	\$ 80,000.00	44	\$ 3600.00
Sewers,.....	20,000.00	4	800.00
Ordinary, stand pipe,.....	3,000.00	43	405.00
Ordinary,.....	1,700.00	44	76.50
Water,.....	2,000.00	5	100.00
Ordinary, E Light,.....	4,000.00	44	180.00
Schools,.....	4,550.00	6	373.00
Schools,.....	1,000.00	4	40.00
Schools,.....	300.00	4	12.00
Ordinary, bridge wharf,.....	1,400.00	4	56.00
	\$123,950.00		\$5542.50

Dealing with the poor department Coun. Jones said that \$1100 was appropriated, and the expenditure was \$1004 leaving a balance on the right side of \$96.00. At present there were eight inmates, six men and two women.

Coun. H. E. Gallagher said, We have the same old story to tell. We are in debt, nothing new in that (Laughter). I might tell the ratepayers that the light department, I consider, brought the town out of darkness into light (Applause). At the same time that don't pay the bills. I asked for \$1200 and the council would only give me \$1000. I expended \$1260.41. I saved the town at least \$50 on carbons, as I bought these from the manufacturers at \$7.59 a thousand. Formerly this cost from \$11 to \$12.00. There is also about \$100 due for painting the town poles. A short while ago the public were so disgusted that one man advised me to 'cut the bloody poles down' (Laughter) but now I believe they are satisfied with the light. For the town hall some \$217 had been expended in putting up the council chamber.

The printing committee showed a surplus. It was voted \$125 and expended \$106.16. Concluding the councillor said that he hoped there would be a good council next year as the state of the finances required the very best men who could be secured.

Coun. A. E. Jones gave an account of the waterworks department. He asked for \$2500 and got it, and there was an overdraft of about \$45.00. The bridge over the creek cost \$2100. In time to come he thought this department would pay the town well, at present it was self supporting.

John S. Leighton jr., on behalf of the fire department took some credit to himself for the condition in which the department now was. He got \$1500 and expended \$1558. With regard to the license department \$570 was collected, some \$180 less than last year. This was accounted for by the dullness of the times, and the fact that travellers making no sales were not charged a license. As chairman of the audit committee he must say, it was the hardest worked committee in the council.

Coun. Grant made a brief report for the road committee. He had asked for \$2000, had been given \$1000 and had expended \$1271.

This concluded the first business of the evening. Mr. Watts left the chair and on motion Frank B. Carvell was elected to preside over the public meeting. T. C. L. Ketchum was appointed secretary.

Mr. W. P. Jones on behalf of the Board of Trade said that in passing the resolution calling for a public meeting, they did so to allow citizens to nominate candidates for the coming election. That was as far as the Board went.

John Price asked the chairman what was the legal qualification for Mayor and Councillors.

The chairman said they must be assessed on \$1000, having that amount of property above all encumbrances. Formerly assessment on \$400 was sufficient.

W. P. Jones moved that a nominating committee of ten ratepayers be appointed to select candidates to be placed in nomination, and report to this meeting. Wm. Dibblee seconded the motion which was carried and the following were elected the committee:—John H. Lee, F. H. J. Dibblee, G. A. White, W. P. Jones, Wm. Dibblee, John S. Leighton, U. R. Hanson, Alex. Henderson, Saml. Watts, Michael McManus. The committee retired to the council room to deliberate.

During the absence of the committee the meeting was of somewhat a free affair.

T. C. L. Ketchum advised future councils to be perfectly frank with the people in expounding the financial condition, and not to be afraid to state the full amount of indebtedness, or to manipulate with figures.

Addresses were made by several of those present, and F. B. Carvell and the Mayor had something of a tilt over the financial condition of the town. Mr. Carvell complained that the Mayor made a misleading financial statement, knowing that the town affairs were not in as satisfactory a condition as his remarks would lead the people to fancy. His Worship said he had heard that he was to get a "walloping" and was not surprised at Mr. Carvell's insinuation.

Mr. Carvell—I made a statement, not an insinuation.

His Worship—I think Mr. Carvell has no right to say that the council has not dealt frankly with the people.

Mr. Carvell—If you publish the account you have given tonight, you will publish a falsity to the people of Woodstock.

The committee having returned, S. Watts announced the following nominations, which the meeting endorsed: for Mayor, W. W. Hay, for councillors, H. Paxton Baird, R. B. Jones, D. B. Gallagher, W. B. Jewett, T. E. Smith, Charles Dickenson.

Mr. Hay in accepting the nomination was loudly applauded. He spoke of the importance of town affairs. If elected he would use

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HARTLEY IS WARDEN.

NOT CHIP, BUT MAJOR A. D. OF
EAST FLORENCEVILLE.

The Council in Deliberation.—A Boy who Ran Away from Home.—Sudden Death of Miss Nellie Fisher.—Mrs. Richard Bull Dies in St. John.

The County Council commenced its session yesterday morning, Warden G. L. Cronkhite in the chair. The morning's work was mainly devoted to preliminary work, and the election of a Warden. That office for the ensuing year will be filled by Major A. D. Hartley, of East Florenceville, who has had a valuable experience at the council board, and holds a good name as public servant and a private citizen. Scott Act Inspector Colpitts submitted his report, which was under discussion as THE DISPATCH goes to press.

Ran Away From Home.

A young boy, some ten years old, named George Dorey, son of Mr. Dorey of the C. P. R. bridge repairing staff ran away from his home on Monday the 4th and was not found until the following Thursday. Mr. Dorey was away from home and his good wife spent many an hour of anxiety over the young runaway's escape. She wanted him to go to school on Monday but he showed a rebellious disposition. His mother did not take his threats seriously until evening approached and George failed to materialize. Then she became alarmed. The family live close to the Small & Fisher foundry and it was thought that the boy might be somewhere around the establishment. Search was duly made but without success. Mrs. Dorey, the next day, investigated around Upper Woodstock but no one had heard of him there. All this was decidedly startling. The town police were notified and Mr. James Harvey along with these, did everything he could to trace the lad. Mrs. Dorey telegraphed to Fredericton and received word that two small boys had been seen along the track near the city, who were not known. This was a false scent, however. At length word was received that young Dorey was thought to be out at the Red Bridge. It appears he had gone out to Mr. John Martin's, and gave this family to understand that his mother knew he was away. As soon as his whereabouts were discovered his mother sent out and had him brought home. It is not likely he will try the trick again. Mrs. Dorey wishes to thank everyone who assisted in the search, particularly James Harvey and Thos. McCarroll.

Sudden Death.

Miss Nellie Fisher, youngest daughter of the late James Fisher, and niece of Messrs. John and Williamson Fisher, of the Small & Fisher Co., died very suddenly sometime between midnight and five o'clock last Saturday morning. She had been suffering from an attack of quinsy, for several years past having been afflicted with throat trouble. On Saturday evening Dr. Sprague lanced her throat and the patient appeared to experience much relief, and to be doing well. Sometimes before midnight she retired, her elder sister, Mina, sleeping with her. About five in the morning her sister put her hand on deceased and found she was cold. She lit the light. Her sister's eyes were open but she was unconscious. The alarmed girl aroused her brother, and they soon discovered the sad truth, that their sister was no more. As may be imagined the shock was awfully sudden.

The funeral, held on Monday afternoon, was largely attended. Service was held at the house, Rev. Messrs. Rutledge and Trafton officiating. A choir of ladies and gentlemen sang some appropriate music, Miss Alma Hartley playing at the organ. The pall-bearers were Walter Atherton, Judson Vanwart, Allie Baker, Murray Saunders. The remains were interred in the cemetery off Broadway.

Mrs. Richard Bull's Death.

A telegram was received yesterday morning by her relatives announcing the death, in St. John, of Mrs. Richard Bull, which occurred at midnight on Monday. A short while ago Mrs. Bull was attacked with paralysis and little hope was entertained of her recovery. Mrs. Bull was a Miss Ferguson of St. John, and her brothers are well known in this town, one of them are present being on a visit to Woodstock. The remains will be brought to Woodstock for burial. The funeral will be held on Friday afternoon, the remains to be buried in the parish churchyard.

Wm. Dibblee & Son have just received 35 casks Pure Porpoise Oil and 2 casks Fish Oil.