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### GETTING IN HARNESS.

The New Town Council in its First Session.

Mayor Murphy's Inaugural Address.—Committees For The Year.—Appointment of Officers.—F. B. Carvell Becomes Treasurer in Place of W. Fisher.

Shortly after the town clock struck eight on Monday evening, the new mayor and town councillors took their seats in the council room. There was quite a large attendance of spectators. All the councillors were present, excepting Mr. Jas. Watts, who is confined to the house, through illness.

His Worship delivering his inaugural address, referred to the fact that Woodstock became an incorporated town in 1866. Since then there have been nine mayors, two of whom have passed through the valley of the shadow of death. He then referred to these, the late F. T. Bridges, and the late Randolph K. Jones. The latter deserved special reference. He was one of the best mayors the town ever had. His management of town affairs during the putting in of the water works system was complete. He was also a great legislator and an eminent lawyer. Respected as a citizen he know of no man whose death was more deeply deplored.

Turning to the business of the council, the Mayor said he had decided to allow the council to propose legislation at a time, the most opportune. He hoped they would all agree to serve the town to the best of their ability. He wished to draw the attention of the committees to the well known fact that we are living in depressed times. In the town there are many poor with large families, struggling to supply their families with the necessaries of life. Due regard must therefore be paid to economy. At the same time it would be necessary to guard against a too rigid economy that would impair the services of the town. Councillors should give strict attention to those departments, and see that the appropriation was sufficient to carry out the work. He was determined to sign no check for money overdrawn by any committee.

The following committees were appointed: Finance and License—Watts, Graham, Henderson.

Fire—Carr, Henderson, Watts.  
Electric Light—Gallagher, Carr, Jones.  
Sewers—Jones, Carr, Gallagher.  
Streets—Graham, Carr, Watts.  
Scales—Watts.  
Town Hall and Police—Jones, Gallagher, Watts.

Water—Carr, Henderson, Graham.  
Audit and Printing—Henderson, Graham, Jones.

The council then proceeded to the appointment of officers.

J. C. Hartley was appointed town clerk and legal adviser at a salary of \$150.

W. Fisher sent a letter to the council saying that owing to press of private business, he would not seek the office of treasurer.

Coun. Gallagher moved that F. B. Carvell be elected treasurer at a salary of \$150.

Coun. Jones seconded the motion.

Coun. Carr—I have an objection to this. Our clerk and Mr. Carvell are so connected in business, that I do not think it would be well to have all the business in one office, particularly in view of the fact that Mr. Carvell has taken a suit against the town. I move that Geo. Anderson be treasurer.

Coun. Gallagher—Mr. Carvell understands that if he gets this office he is to conduct no suits against the town.

Coun. Graham—I understand Mr. Anderson does not want the office.

Coun. Carr still stuck to his objection and said he would oppose the motion if he had to vote alone.

Coun. Henderson said the particular suit referred to was against W. W. Hay, and not against the town.

Mr. Carvell was then appointed, Coun. Carr voting nay.

John McCormac was appointed chief assessor, Emerson Hagerman for Wellington, and Chas. English for Kings ward.

H. A. Connell was elected a school trustee for the town.

John C. Gibson was appointed chief of police at a salary of \$365 and poor commissioner at a salary of \$75. The appointment of constables was postponed till Mr. Gibson could be present and make his recommendation.

Jas. Baker was appointed street commissioner at 5% on the monies expended.

Thomas McCarron was appointed night watch at a salary of \$1.25 a night.

It was decided to appoint no Scott Act Inspector for the town.

Coun. Carr moved that a special committee

be appointed to confer with the county council in June on the question of the town taking over the enforcement of the Scott Act within its borders.

Considerable discussion arose over this. When the mayor nominated Coun. Henderson and Gallagher on this committee they both objected, and Coun. Graham remarks, "This bears out John Lindsay's idea that no man should be a town and county councillor at the same time."

The mayor appointed the committee to wait on the county council next June for the purpose above named—Couns. Graham, Watts and Carr.

A communication from the lieutenant-governor re subscriptions to the Gordon Memorial College at Khartum was read and the clerk ordered to acknowledge the receipt thereof.

Coun. Graham said that the people having bills against the town should understand that they must be presented the day before the meeting or they will not be paid.

The council will meet again on Monday evening at 7.30 and will meet at this hour every session until the first of May.

### Whist Tournaments.

In the third sitting of the whist tournament, Wednesday evening, between the Utopia and A. O. H. clubs, the A. O. H. won by a score of 40, winning at four tables and tying at two.

Sullivan and McCartin won from Smith and J. Hull, 35 to 12; W. Cogger and Ryan won from Frupp and S. Hull, 29 to 19; Malaney and J. McManus from F. Hull and Dibblee, 26 to 20; McCaffery and M. McManus from Manzer and Mair, 26 to 25; Troy and Beaton tied Carr and Hill with 26 each, as also did M. Cogger and Sheasgreen and Ross and Jubien at their table.

The total score now is A. O. H. 447, Utopias 336; majority 111.

Three more sittings will be held before the closing of the tournament, the next of which will be at the Utopia rooms this evening.

### Junior Conservative Association.

A meeting of young Conservatives was held in Graham's Hall on Friday evening to take steps towards the formation of a liberal-conservative young men's association. There were upwards of forty present. Mr. J. C. Hartley was called to the chair and Mr. M. E. Smith was appointed secretary pro tem.

A copy of the constitution of the St. John association was read and it was decided to take it up section by section making what changes were deemed advisable. In the main the constitution was adopted. There were some changes however. The association will be known as the Carleton Co. Junior Liberal Conservative Association. All liberal-conservatives fifty years and under are eligible for membership. The annual subscription is 50c. The annual meeting will be held on the second Tuesday in October and the regular monthly meetings will be held on the second Tuesday in each month. Ten members shall constitute a quorum of the annual meeting. On motion the chairman appointed the following committee of ten to retire and bring in a report recommending officers for the association.

J. T. A. Dibblee, M. P. P., J. R. Tompkins, John McKenzie, I. E. Sheasgreen, J. S. Eagles, Frank Smith, John Cogger, J. N. W. Winslow, A. F. Lockhart, George Balmain. The committee brought in the following report:—Pres, J. C. Hartley; 1st Vice Pres, I. E. Sheasgreen; 2nd Vice Pres, B. F. Smith, (Florenceville); 3rd Vice Pres, David Hipwell; Sec-Treas, T. C. L. Ketchum. The executive committee:—A. B. Connell, John Connor, John R. Tompkins, W. W. Melville, A. R. Carr, Geo. W. Gibson, John A. Lindsay. Mr. Lindsay asked to be relieved and nominated Neville Vince, who was elected in Mr. Lindsay's place. Finance committee:—J. N. W. Winslow, John McKenzie, George Anderson. The secretary was instructed to correspond with young men throughout the county to get names of suitable persons to serve for their respective parishes on the electoral lists committee.

A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. I. E. Sheasgreen 1st vice president for his efforts in starting the association and bringing it to an successful issue.

The 1st and 3rd vice presidents were appointed to represent the association at the ensuing county convention.

The meetings of the association will be held in the Town of Woodstock. F. H. Hale M. P., and J. K. Flemming sent messages saying they were unable to attend, but were in hearty support of the association.

### Thanks.

Messrs. William and James Love wish to thank their many friends and acquaintances for their kind expressions of sympathy, and for the kindness and attention shown to their father the late William Love during his illness.

### A VERY VITAL QUESTION.

Mr. W. H. De Veber Continues the Tuberculosis Discussion.

A Subject in Which Every Living Person is Interested.—Comparison of County and Town Cows and Their Milk.—Danger From Beef Not so Great as From Milk.

To The Dispatch:—

MR. EDITOR,—In last week's issue of THE DISPATCH I see Mr. Nicholson has taken up the defence of the town cows. While on the one hand he approves of my suggestions to the town authorities, on the other he is at variance in my claim that the milk of town kept cows is more likely to be affected with tuberculosis than those of the milk vendors who bring their milk in from the country. He says "my statements are very misleading" and answers by claiming that the milk of town cows is superior in every respect. I made no claim as to the superiority of the country milk in every respect, but that there was more danger in using milk from town cows because of the prevalence of the germs of tuberculous persons being greater thickly populated communities. It is a well known fact that the ratio of consumptive persons is greater in cities than in the country. He makes light of this point and says the density of the human population of Woodstock was never known to affect the health of cattle. As yet we have had little or no proof with regard to tuberculosis, but we will be better able to form an opinion after all the cows in town have been inspected.

Mr. Nicholson is fortunate in being the owner of a very superior and very healthy type of a Jersey cow, no doubt well fed and kept under sanitary conditions. She gave an exceedingly high test for butter fat and if she is a fair sample of the town cows then his claims might go without dispute. Mr. Nicholson says town cows are not fed as I stated. He may not be aware as to what extent it is done, but I have known numbers of cases. It is not to be supposed that Mr. N. would think of doing so. Even if done on a small scale the danger is there just the same and those who do it are those who keep cows to sell the milk and not for their family use only, consequently, there is more danger of spreading the disease.

I was misinformed in regard to Mr. Peabody having bought both cows found diseased. Mr. Nicholson says that the cow raised by Mr. P. was "supposed to have contracted the disease from one of his own herd." How was that possible when the rest of the herd stood the test, much more likely to have taken the germ from the one he purchased in town.

No doubt town cows are better fed than the average farmers' cattle, but those who are making a business of supplying the town with milk know as much about feeding for profit as the man who keeps a cow in town for pleasure and perhaps profit. I see no reason why just as good if not better milk cannot be produced in the country except perhaps in the matter of two deliveries per day as claimed by Mr. Nicholson. A great deal in the quality and purity of milk depends on the cleanliness at milking, proper aeration and after care. Milk that does not get this care even if delivered fresh from the cow will not keep well.

I am glad to hear that there is a very strong feeling in town that my suggestions in regard to inspection of cows should be enforced. Mr. N. has brought out a good point, i. e., the inspection of meat, though the necessity is not nearly so great as in the matter of milk. Milch cows, especially heavy milkers, are more prone to tuberculosis than beef cattle and the germs of tuberculosis are destroyed in the thorough cooking of meat.

Now, Mr. Editor, I have taken up more of your space than I intended.

Yours truly,

W. HERBERT DE VEBER.

Jan. 30th.

### The Elections.

The writs for a general election to the Provincial Legislature have been issued. Nomination day will be on the 11th of February, and election day on the 18th. Declaration Day will be on the 21st.

### Plenty Thank You.

The All Star Minstrels from Fredericton gave a performance in the Opera House on Monday night. The adjective that properly characterises the show is "rank." A poorer show has never struck town. It was neither refined nor funny. People left the house in groups, more in sorrow than in anger. It is to be hoped that this class of burlesque will never have the temerity to come to a decent town again.