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Special Agent,
Woodstock, N. B.

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No Reason to go Elsewhere for a Market Encouraging Meeting of Board of Trade Resolution Re Late Wm. T. Drysdale.— Preferential Trade.

The following resolution was read at the regular meeting of the Board of Trade on Monday evening. It is from the Toronto Board:

RESOLUTION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE FOURTH CONGRESS OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE OF THE EMPIRE—1900.

WHEREAS, it is generally recognized that an advantageous commercial bond is one of the strongest links in National unity, and that the maintenance and strengthening of trade is the keystone of a State's successful development;

AND WHEREAS the existence of an Empire is largely dependent upon the material prosperity of its people;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That in the opinion of this Congress the bonds of the British Empire would be materially strengthened, and the union of the various parts of Her Majesty's Dominion greatly consolidated by the adoption of a commercial policy based on the principle of mutual benefit, whereby each component part of the Empire would receive a substantial advantage in trade as the result of its national relationship.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That in order to make the foregoing operative, the Chair shall appoint, before this Congress dissolves a representative and proportionate Committee of Home and Colonial Delegates to devise a scheme of this nature, and report to this or a similar Commercial Congress, and that a copy of this resolution be officially forwarded to the Home and Colonial Governments concerned in the proposition.

The Toronto Board asks that each Canadian board pass on this subject, to come up at the great gathering of Boards of Trade of the Empire in London next June.

H. Paxton Baird thought this resolution very important, and moved that its consideration be postponed until the next monthly meeting, when a full attendance of members of the board be specially requested to deal with such a vital question. A motion to this effect was carried.

Wm. Dibblee moved the following resolution. In doing so he expressed his own personal sorrow at the death of Mr. Drysdale. He had known him for many years and had been intimately acquainted with him. His late position Mr. Drysdale filled with fairness to all, he was a very good officer and his sudden calling away was sincerely mourned. This motion he (Mr. Dibblee) begged to make:—

RESOLVED, That the members of the Woodstock Board of Trade desire to place on record the sense of their loss in the death of one of their most valued associates, the late Wm. T. Drysdale, Collector of Customs.

From the time of the formation of the board Mr. Drysdale was an active member, attending the meetings regularly and imparting valuable information, acquired during many years of practical business life.

His connection with the Customs department placed him in a position where he could be of special aid to this board, when matters pertaining to the trade of the town were under discussion. He was always ready to give statistical and other information at his disposal and his advice and opinion were looked for and deeply valued.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be placed on the minutes of the board, and that a copy thereof be forwarded to the family of the late Wm. T. Drysdale.

James Carr seconded this resolution. As one on the other side of politics from the mover he was glad to join with him in this motion. He was long acquainted with Mr. Drysdale, and he found him a warm friend, and as a public officer he was satisfactory to everybody.

H. P. Baird, speaking as the first president of the board, said that this was the first death since the board was inaugurated. The success of the board depended entirely upon the individuals comprising it. The late Mr. Drysdale was quite disinterested in his connection with the board. He was attentive to work at this board, and in no way tried to advance any personal object of his own.

T. C. L. Ketchum and Harry Noble also expressed their hearty accord with the resolution.

Before putting it to the meeting, the president A. Henderson, said he came to Woodstock in 1862, whereas Mr. Drysdale came in 1861. They had been known to each other in more or less of an intimate way ever since. He found him a man of great determination and most kindly impulses.

The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Carr in discussing the question of produce buying said that he had started in the same, and that no one need go past Woodstock looking for a cash market now. There

was a demand for all that could be raised in this county, though money had to be spent in finding the most profitable markets.

Mr. Baird commended Mr. Carr's energy, and thought the board should do everything in their power to aid him in his new enterprise. Perhaps the board had something to do with Mr. Carr's going in for this business.

Mr. Carr said that he considered the Board of Trade had been the means of starting him to a considerable extent, since he was led to thinking over the matter by the discussions at this board. Mr. Baird could perhaps say the same of the Canning industry. He thought the board might aid him by finding out any markets which he might not know of.

On motion, Mr. Carr and the secretary were named a committee to correspond with a view of getting all possible information as to a market for Carleton County produce.

The Late James McCarten.

James McCarten, one of Woodstock's most promising young men passed away at an early hour last Wednesday morning, after an illness of nearly a year, of consumption, at the early age of twenty-three. On the death of the late George Seymour, about four years ago, Mr. McCarten who was employed in the former's barber shop took over the business, and readily secured the hearty good will which Mr. Seymour had worked up. Mr. McCarten conducted a first class barber shop in every particular. He attended closely to business, had everything clean, neat and up-to-date in his shop, and was in a fair way of earning an independence when the fatal disease visited him. There was genuine sorrow among the people in the community when it was learned that he was dead. He had a peculiarly gentle, friendly manner, took a lively interest in public affairs, was well posted on current events, and always expressed his views with clearness and good sense. He was, in fact, one of our most intelligent young citizens. The funeral on Friday afternoon was attended by a large number of people. Mr. McCarten was vice president of the Woodstock division of the A. O. H., and that body attended the funeral in full regalia. They presented an imposing appearance. Four of their number, I. E. Sheasgreen, John Malaney, Walter Cogger and Wm. McDonald were pall bearers. At two o'clock the procession started for the church, the casket being preceded by the members of the A. O. H. After the hearse came the pall bearers and mourners in coaches, and then followed citizens in sleighs and on foot. At St. Gertrude's church a brief but impressive service for the dead was said by Rev. Father Chapman, after which the procession reformed and wended its way to the cemetery, where all that is mortal of an excellent man and citizen was laid at rest.

MANITOBA ELECTIONS.

Some Facts About Hugh John Macdonald.

The result of the elections for the local legislature in Manitoba, is the overthrow of the Greenway government, and the return of the Conservative under Hugh John Macdonald to power. The actual majority is not quite decided, which will probably be enough to awake the new government to work well upon. As much interest centres around the personality of Hugh John Macdonald these facts about him may be of general interest:

The Hon. Hugh John Macdonald is the only son of the late Right Hon. Sir John A. Macdonald, G. C. B., for many years Prime Minister of Canada, by his first wife, Isabella, daughter of Alexander Clarke of Dalnair, Scotland, and was born in Kingston on March 13, 1850. He is therefore, now in his 49th year. He was educated at Queen's College preparatory school at Queen's College and at the University of Toronto, where he obtained the degree of B. A. in 1869. He was called to the bar in 1872 and practised for some time in partnership with his father and the late Hon. James Patton, Q. C. Removing to Winnipeg in 1882, he there entered into partnership with J. S. Tupper, Q. C. Mr. Macdonald was created a Q. C. by the Earl of Derby in 1890. He early entered the volunteer militia and has been in active service on three occasions, first in 1866 as a private in the 14th Battalion, and on duty at Cornwall during the Fenian invasion; in 1870 as an ensign in the 1st Ontario Rifles, forming part of the force sent to the Red River under General Wolsley; in 1885 he was a captain in the 90th Battalion during the Northwest Rebellion, and he received a medal for this service. He is a vice-president of the Dominion Rifle Association and president of the Manitoba Rifle Association. Politically, he sat as Conservative member for Winnipeg from the general elections in 1891 until his resignation in October, 1893. In 1896 he was called to the Privy Council and appointed Minister of the Interior in the Tupper Administration. He stood for Winnipeg at the ensuing general election and was returned, but was unseated on petition on Jan. 15, 1897. He resigned office with his leader on July 8, 1896. In 1897 he accepted the Conservative leadership in provincial politics in Manitoba. While in Parliament he was exceedingly popular with his brother-members and developed powers of oratory of a high order. His name was frequently mentioned in connection with the general leadership of the Conservatives at Ottawa, after the retirement therefrom of Sir Charles Tupper. He is a member of the Church of England and has been twice married, first in 1876, to Jean King, daughter of the late W. A. Murray, Toronto. She died in 1881. The second marriage was in 1883, to Agnes Gertrude, daughter of the late S. J. Vankoughnet, Q. C., Toronto.

THE TOWN ELECTION

Will be Held on the 15th of January Next.

Pointers Regarding it, well for Voters to Bear in Mind.—Present Council Proposes to Make an Open and Frank Statement of our Financial Position.

The Town elections will be the next excitement.

According to the act of 1897, which regulates the matter, the election is to take place on the 3rd Monday in January which in the year of grace 1900, soon to be ushered in, will fall on the 15th. For the purposes of this election the town is divided into two districts, No. 1 comprising King's and Queen's wards, and No. 2 Wellington ward.

There are to be two polling places in each district, in one of which all persons the first letter of whose surnames come under the letters from A. to L. inclusive shall vote, and in the other those whose names begin with any letter from M. to Z.

At Friday evening's meeting of the town council, it was decided to hold the elections for Wellington ward at Kearns' and the Brunswick hotels and for King's and Queen's in the town hall and the council chamber.

Nominations for mayor and councillors shall be at the council chamber between the hours of ten and twelve in the forenoon, of the Thursday, immediately preceding the day of election. This coming January, Nomination Day will be the 11th.

A public meeting of the ratepayers shall be held on or before the Monday immediately preceding the day of election, when the mayor and councillors are to give an account of themselves. Before the passage of this act, it was provided that the public meeting should be after nomination. It will be at once seen that the present is a better way, because the electors have an opportunity to select candidates to oppose the old councillors, if they are not satisfied with the statement give by them.

A candidate for election as mayor or councillor must be a British subject, aged 21, residing in the town and have been assessed in the assessment next preceding the election upon real or personal estate or both within the town and owned by him to the value of \$1000, and shall have paid before the day of election all rates and taxes due by him to the town.

The ballot for votes is similar to that used in Dominion elections.

The mayor announced at Friday's meeting that this year's council would give a complete statement of affairs, and that they would have, as far as possible all bills in, so that the next council would not find a lot of bills to be paid, which were not looked for. This is the correct idea. Let the council state just what indebtedness is, and make no attempt to make us appear better off than we are.

An Excellent Magazine.

The Canadian Magazine is improving steadily, and is now, a most creditable production. Moreover by the generous amount of advertising, one forms an opinion that it is a paying affair. The Christmas number is beautifully gotten up. There is an admirable illustrated article on the Canadian contingent. There are pictures of the loading of the "Sardinian," of the men's quarters and the officers' rooms, of the embarkation, and of the ship as she pulls away from the wharf, of the review on the Esplanade before the Governor-General and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, of each of these gentlemen addressing the troops, as well as group photographs of the officers and of the various local contingents. There are stories by Kathleen Blake Coleman (Kil), Ouida, W. Clark Russell, Jane Fayer Taylor, and Marjory MacMurchy. J. S. Gordon, O. S. A., contributes an article on Paris, illustrated by himself. Arthur J. Stringer's poem, "The Sons beyond the Border," is more virile than any current Canadian verse, and is worthy of special attention. Robert Barr contributes another article on Canadian Literature. C. A. Bramble continues to write of the Big Game of Canada, and Frederic Villiers gives the second instalment of his experience as a war correspondent. In addition to all these, there are reminiscences of Paul Kruger, by E. B. Biggar, an article on the wheat-growing capacity of the North-West, by C. W. Peterson, notes on current events abroad and at home, and some rather clever book notices and reviews. The issue contains over two hundred pages, and is by all odds the best issue of our national magazine. (Toronto, Ont.—25 cents.)

At the Paris Exhibition next year there will be accommodation for 21,000 bicycles. A charge of 1 d. will be made to take charge of a bicycle.

When greasing a tin for plum or any sweet cake, always use lard instead of butter, as the cake will not burn so easily as it would do if butter was used.