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AN INTERESTING SESSION.

THE NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MAKE ONE OR TWO IMPORTANT CHANGES.

J. C. Gibson Again Chief of Police—Scott Act Inspector's Salary Reduced—The Discussion Waxes Warm at Times.

The first meeting of the newly elected town council was called to order on Monday night. The General Gallery, the Speakers Gallery and the Press Gallery were filled to the limit and so great was the attendance of the public that the crowd surged to the floors of the House. Mr. Hartley read the election returns whereby the following gentlemen constitute the council for the ensuing year:—W. B. Belyea, Mayor; R. B. Jones, A. E. Jones, J. A. Lindsay, J. T. A. Dibblee, G. E. Balmain, H. E. Burt, Councillors.

His Worship, after declaring the council duly organized for business addressed them as follows:—

GENTLEMEN,—I am very glad to meet so many of the old council at this board again and while we shall miss the face and the work of Ex-Councillor Carr I am glad to see that his place has been filled by a worthy citizen and a good man of business in the person of Mr. Burt. I am sure that this council composed as it is of representative business men will be fully able to cope with the business of the town as it comes before you. I also thank the citizens for the honour and the confidence they have reposed in me by re-electing me by acclamation and as in the past, my highest aim will be to work for their interest and the public good.

Last year this council was called upon to perform a large amount of special work involving quite a large expenditure of time and money. I have inquired into the different interests of the town and I cannot find anything that will involve us into any heavy special expenditure. Perhaps this year would be a good time to exercise a special caution and try to wipe out the bank debit balance which has stood so many years upon which we pay more than \$300.00 per year interest. However, there are some matters to which I would call the attention of this council and to which I would ask you to give your special consideration.

First, There are the sewers upon which this town has expended a large amount of money. Now they have been ignored by a great number of house holders and thereby have neglected the benefits they confer as an aid to the public health. There are many buildings in the heart of the town where a number of people are employed that should be connected with the sewers and thereby their health would be benefited.

There is another matter which is difficult to deal with. I have always thought that an efficient number of fire wardens should be appointed whose duty it would be to see that proper precautions are taken for the prevention of fire and I believe if this were done the percentage of fires would be decreased and as a consequence insurance premiums would be lowered, and in this connection I might add that while we have one of the best systems in the world for protection against fire I trust that you will see to it that everything is done to keep up the high standard of our fire department. I also think that the accommodations for the fire department are not adequate, now. We pay \$48.00 per year for a small room away from the Town Hall for the storage of the electric appliances in connection with the street lights and we rent the Town Hall for \$96.00 per year; surely the \$48.00 per year difference in the rent would be better invested by using the Town Hall in giving increased accommodations for the hose company and the electric light appliances. The chairman of the poor committee thinks a bridge should be built at the farm. I think the whole council should visit the farm in a body and see what the needs are there. A careful guard should be kept upon the workings of the Scott Act and while the Act is enforced see to it that all needless costs and expenses are eliminated. And now I come to a matter which should engage your special consideration; as you are all aware our electric light system for the streets is not satisfactory. The lamps are becoming out of date and yearly a large amount of money is expended in keeping them in repair. I do not think it would add to our burdens to change the system to the incandescent which system while it would not light up at times certain spots with a great glare it would enable every one to drive or walk with safety on our streets and sidewalks and as one item we could save \$300.00 per year on the caretaker and in every way be more satisfactory.

Now gentlemen let us all work in harmony with one aim and that the interests of the town which we are elected to guard.

On motion Coun. Balmain, seconded Coun. Dibblee, the Mayor was requested to appoint the standing committees for the year, which he did as follows:—

Finance—R B Jones, G E Balmain, J T A Dibblee.

Fire—G E Balmain, J A Lindsay, A E Jones.

Light—H E Burt, J T A Dibblee, J A Lindsay.

Streets—J A Lindsay, J T A Dibblee, H E Burt.

Sewers—R B Jones, A E Jones, J T A Dibblee.

Scales—J A Lindsay.

Town Hall and Police—J A Lindsay, G E Balmain, H E Burt.

On motion of Coun. Lindsay seconded by Coun. Balmain the Mayor was requested to appoint a committee on legislation, which he did, as follows:—Couns. Lindsay, Dibblee, Balmain.

Motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded A. E. Jones, J. C. Hartley was re-appointed town clerk at same salary as last year.

Motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. Balmain, J. T. Garden was re-appointed town treasurer at same salary as last year.

Motion Coun. Dibblee, seconded Coun. Balmain, that J. C. Gibson be appointed Chief of Police at the salary paid last year. Coun. A. E. Jones moved in amendment, seconded R B Jones, that J H Harvey be re-appointed Chief of Police at the same salary as last year. The amendment was lost and the original motion carried as follows:—for Mr. Harvey, Couns A E Jones and R B Jones; for Mr Gibson, Couns Dibblee, Balmain, Burt and Lindsay.

Motion Coun Lindsay, seconded Coun Dibblee, that Owen Kelly be re-appointed night watch at the same salary as last year. Coun R B Jones called the attention of the board to a serious fire that occurred a few weeks ago in the building adjoining the town hall. It would have been much more serious only for the alarm rung in by the captain of the Salvation army, who was driving in from Houlton. He met no one on the street, but saw the street filled with smoke and after putting up his team rang the bell, when the night watch put in a belated appearance. Coun Jones had no charge to make against Mr Kelly, who may have been in his place for all Mr. Jones knew, but it looked like a serious matter and should be investigated in open council before an appointment was made. He moved that this appointment be deferred till the next meeting at which an investigation be held. It was objected that this was not an amendment; when Coun A E Jones moved in amendment, seconded Coun R B Jones, that Thomas McCarron be appointed night watch at the same salary as was paid last year. The amendment was lost and the original motion was carried as follows:—for Mr. McCarron, Couns A E Jones and R B Jones and Burt; for Mr. Kelly Couns Lindsay, Balmain and Dibblee.

After Mr. Kelly had been reappointed, Coun. Lindsay thought now was the proper time to ask for an investigation. It was unfair, he said, to use street rumor here and to insinuate that Mr. Kelly had not done his duty. He moved that an investigation be held, seconded by Couns. R. B. Jones and Dibblee.

Coun. R. B. Jones thought it rather a cheap thing for Coun. Lindsay to charge him with unfairness in demanding an investigation, and insisted that this was exactly the proper moment, when an appointment was to be made, to bring the question up.

The mayor made the whole council a committee to investigate the question as to whether or not the night watch, Mr. Kelly, had been remiss in the performance of his duty.

On motion of Coun. Dibblee seconded by Coun. Lindsay, Donald Munro was re-appointed Superintendent of Waterworks and of Sewers, and caretaker of the fire engine at the same salary as last year.

Coun. R. B. Jones moved, seconded by Coun. Burt, that Mr. Colpitts be Scott Act Inspector at the same salary as last year, namely, \$200.

Coun. Balmain was not in favor of this motion. A year ago he thought the chief of police should perform the duties of Inspector and he had not changed his views since then. The marshal, if he was so minded, could do this work and save the town a good deal of unnecessary expense. This idea did not work well last year, but he thought it could be made to operate successfully this year.

Coun. Dibblee thought the marshal should be Scott Act Inspector. Last year the town received a net return of \$700 or \$800 from Scott Act fires, and the expenses of getting this had been some \$400. The marshal, if he were willing, could do this work without any trouble. The man who acted as Inspector should be governed by the Scott Act committee. With the Marshal as Inspector he thought that quite as many fines could be collected as during the past year and the morals of the town would be quite as well guarded.

Coun. Lindsay said that any motion to re-appoint Mr. Colpitts was quite unnecessary, as he was already Inspector and could not be

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SUNDAY'S STORM.

Barns Blown Down and Unroofed, Three Cows Killed, and the Story of the Damage Not All In.

The storm of Sunday was one of the severest in the memory of men now living in this part of the province. The fall of snow was not very heavy, but the wind blew a hurricane, and in some places the ground was left bare, while in others the snow was piled mountains high. Many barns were blown down and the roofs were lifted from others and strewn about the fields.

At Hartland, the barns of George R. Burt and D. H. Keswick were blown down; a mile below the barn of Mrs. Boone suffered the same fate; at Newburg there is one in ruins. Between Hartland and Woodstock on the east side of the river, there are at least half a dozen barns down. A telephone message from Knowlesville says that a great many farm buildings were wrecked in that vicinity. In Jacksonville Judson Kearney lost a barn, the roof was blown from the church shed and other buildings are said to be in a bad way.

The telephone, telegraph and electric light wires did not suffer as much as might have been expected. The telephone wires in town were badly crossed, but Mr. Dalling had them all right before noon on Monday. The connection with Fredericton was snapped about a quarter of a mile below Hawkshaw, but it is mended now.

Further information is, that at Florence a barn belonging to George Banks was blown down, one belonging to Robert Hunter was unroofed and three cows killed, and barns belonging to William Brooker, Daniel Lovely, William Moore, and William Jewett, were unroofed and the chimney blown from Mr. Jewett's house.

At Wicklow, the roofs were blown from barns belonging to A. F. Hale, Charles Giberson, Rupert Hutchinson and James Tapley.

At Bristol, barns belonging to Mat Colwell and Lenard Hotham, were unroofed.

At Simons, True Day's barn was unroofed. At Centreville, two barns of Everett Harold were unroofed, and the roofs were also blown from the barns of Richard Reid, Herbert Agnew, Sidney Lloyd, Charles Haynes, John Barrett, Harry Clark and Richard Nelson.

The roof was blown from the barn of Mrs. Forrester McLean, on the Connell road.

These are a few, and every man who comes into town can tell of others.

A Fire in Sunday Night's Tempest.

On Sunday night, just as the town clock struck ten, an alarm of fire was rung in for the house of Robert Welch on Connell Street. The building was rendered a total loss by the flames.

Sunday will long be remembered in this part of the province for the fierce storm that raged from morning till night, and it had in no way abated when the fire broke out. In almost every house in town, as night closed in, some one said, "what an awful night for a fire!"

No. 1 hose company was promptly on hand and turned three streams of water on the burning building. The wind blew furiously, and in all directions for a while, and huge flaming pieces of wood were carried far and wide and at times it looked as if the town would be devastated. In a short time the wind settled down to a south westerly direction, where there were not many houses and finally the work of the firemen began to tell. The two streams playing on the eastern side of the house were always doing good execution, but so strong was the wind that the stream on the west side was blown back on the pipemen, who stood their ground, in a shower of water.

The firemen worked like heroes. In the bitter cold, some of them drenched with water and the wind blowing it in to their bones, they poured tons of water into the house.

Mr. Welch was away from home at the time. Not very much of the furniture was rescued from the building and even such as was taken out suffered from the water and the storm. Mr. Welch had \$800.00 insurance on the house and \$400.00 on the furniture, both in the Atlas, Mr. Young agent.

"Yes, I consider my life a failure."
"Oh, Henry, how sad. Why should you say that?"

"I spend all my time making money enough to buy food and clothes; but the food disagrees with me and my clothes don't fit."

MR. R. E. HOLYOKE, whose stock in his grocery store on Main Street was destroyed by fire on Tuesday January 21st, received on Wednesday the 29th a check from Mr. L. E. Young, for the sum of his insurance with the Caledonian Fire Insurance Co., of which Mr. Young is Agent.

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