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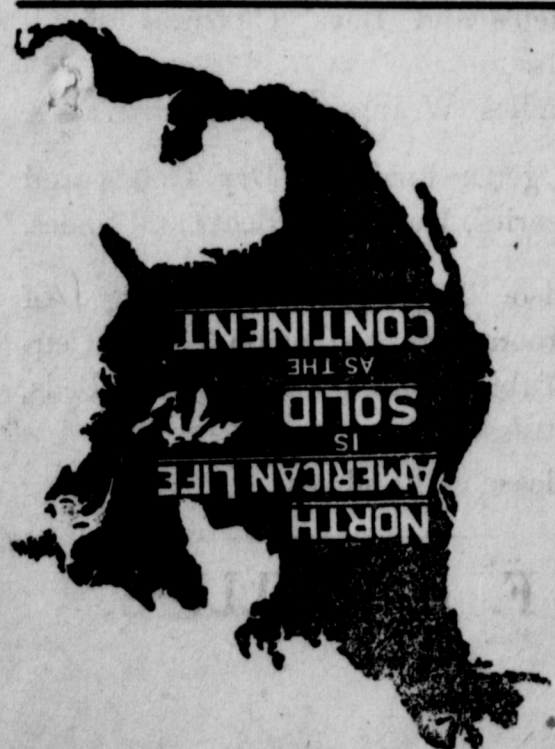
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## ARRESTED IN HOULTON.

Two Men Charged With Killing Aubrey Grant of Canterbury N. B.

HOULTON, Jan. 28.—Jake Wise and Michael Reardon have been arrested in Houlton on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Aubrey Grant, of Canterbury, N. B., in Wise's saloon last November.

County Attorney Herbert Powers, of Fort Fairfield, came to Houlton Tuesday noon after a conference with Capt. T. E. Hartnett went to the office of Judge Briggs, where another conference was held and at the conclusion Sheriff Lawlis left the court house in search of two men charged with the crime of manslaughter. The men were Michael Reardon and Jake Wise, both of Houlton, and the warrant for their arrest charges that one Aubrey Grant of Canterbury, N. B., died on Dec. 10, 1902, as a result of injuries inflicted upon him by the two men in the place of Wise on Nov. 10.

Reardon was arrested shortly before 4 o'clock and taken to the county jail, where he was held until Tuesday evening when a hearing was held before Judge Briggs. Reardon was represented by John Madigan, of Houlton. The plea of not guilty was entered and the hearing was continued for two weeks and Reardon furnished bail in the sum of \$1,000.

Wise was not arrested until after 8 o'clock Tuesday night, when Sheriff Lawlis and Capt. Hartnett visited his place. The sheriff went to the front door and left Hartnett at the rear. The members of the party which accompanied them scattered about the place. After the sheriff had entered the place, a small boy rushed out and a few moments later Wise was seen coming through the door. He was instantly caught by Capt. Hartnett, who at once sent word to Sheriff Lawlis who came and took charge of the man conducting him to the jail where he was locked up.

He was given a hearing Wednesday morning and the hearing continued two weeks.

The real reason for these continuances is that one of the most important witnesses for the state is just recovering from an attack of typhoid pneumonia and will not be able to be out inside of that length of time.

## Farmers' & Dairymen's Association Elect their Officers at Sussex.

The following list of officers for the ensuing year was elected by the society at their meeting at Sussex.

President, Chas F Rogers.  
Vice-president, Geo J Dickson.  
Corresponding secretary, Thomas A Peters.  
Recording secretary, A G Dickson.  
Treasurer, A M Fawcett.  
Vice-presidents:  
Kings County, John Raymond.  
Westmorland County, W W Fawcett.  
Albert County, N C Geldert.  
St. John County, R R Patchell.  
Charlotte County, Geo Mowatt.  
York County, P C Powys.  
Carleton County, C L Smith.  
Sunbury County, H Wilmot.  
Queens County, S L Peters.  
Northumberland County, Clifford Galloway.  
Victoria County, Geo N Clark.  
Madawaska County, Peter Cohn.  
Gloucester County, David Richards.  
Restigouche County, John Dawson.

Answering the statement made at the late meeting of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association here that the freight tariff now in force on the C. P. R. from New Brunswick points is much higher than under the old New Brunswick Railway Classification and practically prohibitive on small consignments of farm products, J. N. Sutherland wired as follows:—

"Our new Local tariff of Jan. 12th 1902 shows a general reduction of not less than 20%; for instance, first class rate under old tariff was forty two cents to St. John, under new it is thirty-six, and graded down in proportion. Canadian joint freight classification now replacing old New Brunswick classification is also in every way more favorable to farm implements, vehicles, and movements of cattle than under the old New Brunswick classification. Special commodity rates are also obtainable on application when sufficient good reason is shown why some should be granted."

## Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist Coming.

Dr. A. Pierce Crockett, of St. John, specialist on diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat and who has lately returned from the hospitals of Vienna and London will be at the Carlisle hotel, Friday, February 13th, where he may be consulted on diseases of these organs. Dr. Crockett has for the past year been clinical assistant at the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital, London, England.

"Maggie, go and put the rubbish in the dust-bin." "All right; wait till I see if Beatrice Montmorency is going to marry the Prince."

## THE NEW TOWN COUNCIL.

Organized—Committees Appointed—Town Officers Re-elected—Scott Act Inspector's Salary.

The new town council, composed of Mayor Belyea and Councillors J. T. Allen Dibblee, A. E. Jones, H. E. Burt, James McManus, J. T. Garden and I. E. Sheasgreen, met for organization on Monday night. Mayor Belyea made the following inaugural address: GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK,

I congratulate you upon your election and I think the town is to be congratulated upon having such a representative body of business men to transact their business for the ensuing year.

I think it is advisable to transact as much business as possible in committee and have matters of importance brought before the board in a mature shape.

It has been my experience during the past two years that some members of the board would bring matters before it that their suddenness would embarrass the other members as well as the chair, and I think it is only fair to the members and the chair and in the interest of the town which we are elected to serve that fair notice should be given in matters of ordinary importance.

While our streets have been better for some years past than ever before in the town it is generally conceded that our sidewalks should have more attention this year, than for several years past, and in view of the prospect we have of a larger number of tourists to visit our town this year it will be to the interest of the town to have our streets kept clean and neat; and the general throwing of papers and other litter broadcast on our streets be discouraged.

In the Fire Department some changes should be made as it is felt that in the interests for the better protection against fire the members of No. 1 company should have more room and better sanitary accommodation which could be done by some changes in the present building.

Our Electric Light for streets has been very far from being satisfactory; this should engage your serious attention and the best possible means taken to remedy the difficulty. I shall not now make any recommendation as to what steps you should take but it must be dealt with seriously.

The chairman of the Finance committee will bring some matters to your attention in regard to the valuation and assessment which you can deal with and give them your careful consideration.

It has been rumored that one of our industries which has been idle for a time is liable to be moved from our town. I hope this may not prove true. I trust our town will do all we can to encourage their staying here and give every assistance and deal broadly with all of our factories and encourage any new factories which may wish to locate here.

All other matters that may be brought forward for your consideration I believe you will be capable of dealing with on their merits.

I ask that general good feeling may exist and whenever we differ in our opinions as we will at time general courtesy should prevail.

The following committees were nominated by the Mayor and approved by the council:—

Water works, Couns. Dibblee, Jones and Burt.

Electric Light, Couns. McManus Burt and Sheasgreen.

Streets, Couns. Burt, Dibblee and McManus.

Fire, Couns. Sheasgreen, Dibblee and Burt.

Poor, Couns. Jones, Garden and Sheasgreen.

Finance, Couns. Garden, Dibblee and McManus.

Sewers, Couns. Garden, Jones and Dibblee.

Scales, Coun. Sheasgreen.

Town Hall and Police, Coun. Jones, Garden and Burt.

Audit, Coun. McManus, Sheasgreen and Garden.

The councillors all congratulated the mayor on his re-election and thanked the ratepayers for their support.

Coun. Dibblee deplored the defeat of Coun. Balmain who, he said, was one of the best councillors he ever saw, and the man who could be least spared from the board.

Coun. Garden thought the matter of the electric light should be thoroughly investigated with a view to finding out if the town couldn't get a decent service for its money. It had never been a satisfactory service. The assessment system had been wretched and should be improved. An entirely new assessment should be made out and the valuation materially increased. This would reduce the rate per \$100 of taxation while not increasing our taxes.

Coun. Jones wanted to see the streets and sidewalks put in better condition. Referring to the poor farm he said that in order to get from the front to the rear of the farm it was at present necessary to pass over the farm of a neighbour, who was none too anxious to have the town make this use of a part of his farm. The road across the gulch in the town farm could be put in good condition for \$50, and this would give them easy access to any part of the farm without passing over the neighbours' land.

Coun. Burt said he would be well pleased to see some one who could make anything out of the electric light system.

Coun. McManus was glad the Mayor had referred to an industry, presumably the Wrapper Factory, that we were in danger of losing. It would be a mistake to allow this industry to go if it were at all possible to keep it here. It was part of the duty of the council, he thought, to endeavour to keep what industries we now have and induce others to come here.

Coun. Sheasgreen thought that a greater part of the town hall should be devoted to the uses of the fire department. This was necessary, both as a matter of efficiency and health. As chairman of the fire committee he knew he would not possess the agility of Mr. Balmain in catching the hose cart on the run down Main street, but he would do his best to further the interests of the department.

In answer to the warm congratulations of the councillors on his re-election the Mayor said he had entered the field a third time not on account of selfishness but because he felt a great call to do so. If he had been selfish he would have declined to run.

Reports were read from the superintendent of Water Works and of Sewers. Coun. Dibblee thought the sewers would be self-supporting if the rates were sharply collected, and all persons were compelled to make connection with the system.

Coun. Jones thought if the sewers were not paying the chairman of the sewers committee should make them so.

Coun. Garden, Chairman of the Sewers Committee thought that the sewers should be free, but that every citizen should be compelled to connect with them. However, if the council wanted the rates collected he would attend to the matter.

A bill from Mrs Colton of Queen street for \$72.50, for damages sustained by a burst in the water pipe, was presented and referred to the water committee.

The following town officials were re-elected at the same salary as last year.

J. C. Hartley, Town Clerk.  
H. W. Bourne, Town Treasurer.  
J. C. Gibson, Town Marshall, Chief of Police and Poor Commissioner.

Owen Kelly, Night Watch.

When the motion was made to re-elect Charles Comben principal assessor a general feeling of dissatisfaction with the assessment of the past two years was expressed. It was thought that perhaps Mr. Comben was doing all the work he was being paid for, in which case it would be better to pay a larger salary and get a decent assessment made. Mr. Comben was reappointed, salary to be named at next meeting.

Emerson Hagerman and John Donnelly were appointed assistant assessors.

D. Munro Superintendent of Water Works and Sewers and care taker of the fire engine.

A letter was read from Mr. Colpitts in which he informed the council that unless the sum of \$100, which he claimed was due him on last years salary was paid at once he would bring action against the town. It appeared that Mr. Colpitts had been appointed inspector in 1901 at a salary of \$200. In 1902 the salary was reduced to \$100., which Mr. Colpitts claimed the council had no right to do.

The Mayor and Councillors Dibblee and Garden were indignant at the tone of Mr. Colpitts' letter, which they regarded as insolent. Coun. Dibblee moved seconded by Coun. Garden that the inspector be dismissed. The vote stood Couns. Dibblee, Garden and Sheasgreen yeas; and Couns. Jones, Burt and McManus nays. As it required a two thirds vote to dismiss, the Mayor said his casting vote would be of no use.

Coun. Sheasgreen thought Mr. Colpitts should not have accepted the position last year if he was not satisfied with the salary.

Mr. Hartley explained that when once appointed an inspector could not be dismissed without a two thirds vote, nor could his salary be reduced below what would be a reasonable amount commensurate with his services.

On motion a committee composed of Couns. Jones, Burt and Dibblee were appointed to consider Mr. Colpitts bill.

## Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected in the I. O. O. F. Lodge, Woodstock, for the ensuing year:—

M G, John Lepage.  
V G, Thos W Baker.  
Sect, Chas Comben.  
P Sect, H D Stevens.  
Trea, W B Belyea.  
Mar, I W Fisher.  
Com, Jacob VanWart.  
R S V G, Richard Allingham.  
L S V G, Samuel Strong.  
Inside Guard, L E Young.  
Outside Guard, J J Hale.  
L S S, D McLeod Vince.  
R S S, James Tramley.  
Chap, W H Spargo.

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