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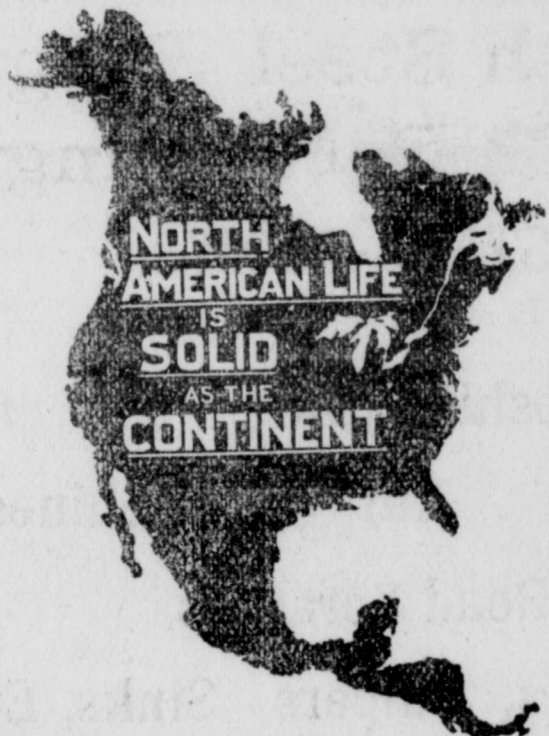
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Increase.....	1,080,198.00
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Increase.....	175,737.00
Total assets.....	6,010,813.00
Increase.....	590,039.83
Total insurance in force.....	30,929,237.00
Increase.....	3,562,384.00
Net Surplus to Policy Holders' account.....	515,044.00

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Increase over 1901.....	1,058,935.00
Income.....	1,240,890.00
Increase over 1901.....	177,249.00
Assets as at December 31, 1902.....	4,406,329.00
Increase over 1901.....	633,852.00
Insurance in force.....	30,152,883.00
Increase over 1901.....	3,013,952.00

Interest Income Alone Exceeded Death Claims by Nearly \$26,000.00.

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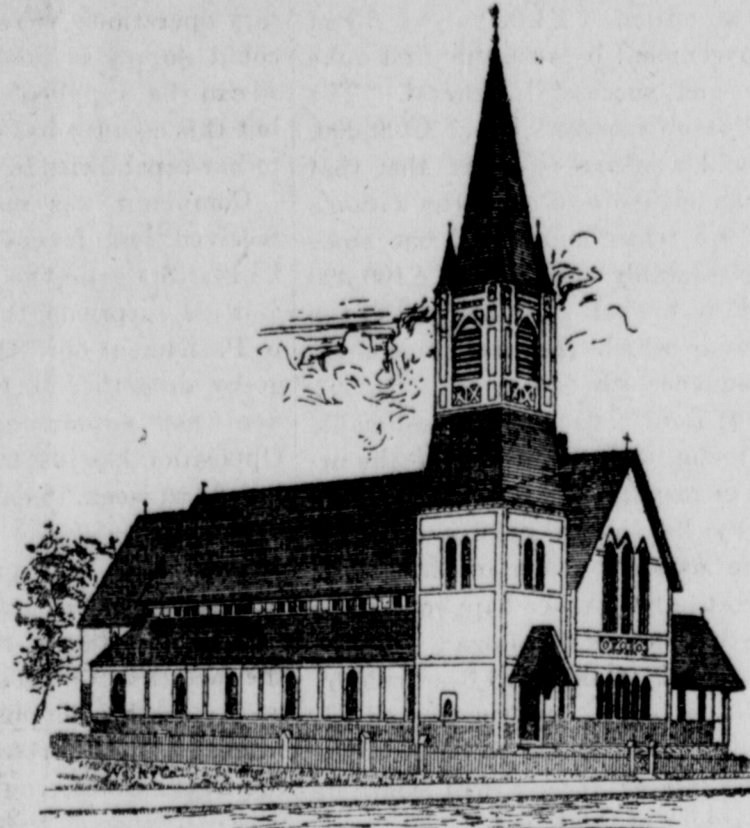
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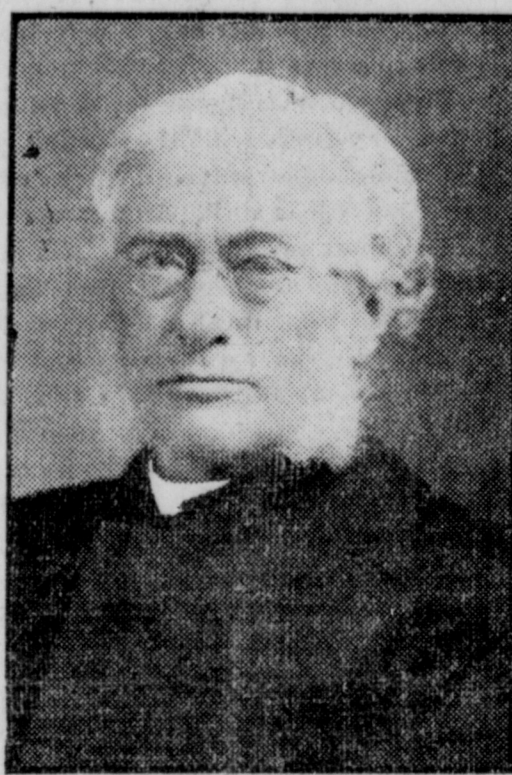
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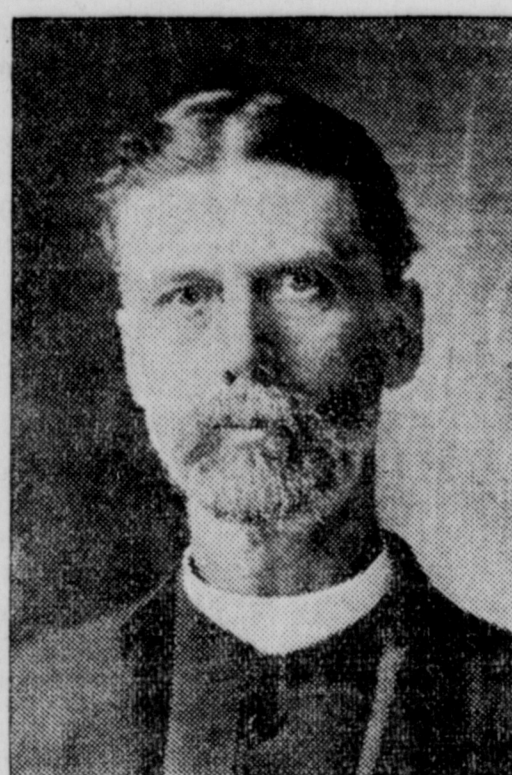
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ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.



HIS LORDSHIP BISHOP KINGDON.



VEN. ARCHDEACON NEALES.

The Synod Meets in Woodstock.

The Church of England Synod met at Woodstock yesterday morning the Lord Bishop, of Fredericton, presiding. There were present about sixty clergymen and a good attendance of laymen.

After roll call the Bishop delivered his annual address which was a scholarly and exhaustive effort.

A standing committee was appointed which nominated the regular committee of Synod. Several reports were submitted.

Mr. Tucker, general secretary of the missionary work for Canada arrived and was warmly welcomed.

This evening in St. Luke's church there will be a full choral service.

Following is a statement of the rest of the

services and meetings of the Synod:

Wednesday, July 8th—Holy Communion at 8 a. m., in St. Luke's Church. Evening service in St. Luke's Church, at 8 p. m. Obitory for D ocean Missions. (The Clergy are requested to bring their robes, and to meet for this service in the Parish Hall, at 7.30 p. m.)

Thursday, July 9th.—Holy Communion at 8 a. m., in St. Luke's Church. Missionary meeting in Graham's Opera House at 8 p. m. It is expected that this meeting will be addressed by Rev. I. Norman Tucker, General Secretary of the board of Missions, as well as by other speakers.

Friday, July 10th.—Holy Communion at 8 a. m., in St. Luke's Church.

Meetings of the Synod will be continued from time to time according to adjournments.

THE TOWN ASSESSMENT

and Other Important Matters. Several Petitions to the Council. Everything to be Decided at the Friday Night Meeting.

At the meeting of the town council on Monday evening a hearing was given Messrs. J. C. Hartley, George E. Balsam and R. E. Holyoke regarding the piece of land between Main and Grover streets. A number of citizens purchased the land last year from Mr. Albert Hayden, who contributed a part of the purchase money himself, with the intention of presenting it to the town for use as a public square. They requested the council to promise to grade the land and sow it with grass seed, to erect no buildings on it and in case the citizens established a fountain on the land, requested them to provide free water for it.

On motion the council decided to grant their request.

Messrs. J. R. Brown and R. E. Holyoke, a committee from the Agricultural Society, being heard, stated that the society intended to hold an exhibition in Woodstock this fall. It was their intention to erect more buildings, among others a machinery hall; they intended to keep the exhibition open four days instead of three and would keep it open in the evenings. They requested a grant from the town and asked that their buildings be lighted by electric lights free of charge. The matter was referred to the finance and electric lights committee.

Letters were read from Messrs. James Carr and Thomas Glew, claiming that they were overtaxed, and a letter from Mr. Albert Hayden asking for a rebate in taxes on account of his recent disastrous fire.

At this point an interesting discussion took place as to what was to be done with petitions asking for redress in the matter of overtaxation. Coun. Garden chairman of

the finance committee said it had been customary for that committee to hear and determine these cases and in cases of overtaxation to instruct the assessors to reduce the assessment. As chairman of that committee he did not care to take the responsibility of revising the assessors' work and he asked the council for definite instructions as to what they would allow and authorize him to do in the matter.

Mr. J. C. Hartley, town clerk and town solicitor, addressed the council on the matter. He said that if a ratepayer thought he had been over assessed he might within a limited time request the assessors to rectify their mistake, making a statement under oath as to the amount and value of his property. If the ratepayer did not appeal to the assessors within the time set by statute he had no redress.

Mr. Hartley went on to say that such a citizen had no redress anyway. In past years, in order to avoid paying too much to the county, the valuation had been kept down; no man had been assessed the full value of his property, and if any citizen made a sworn statement of the value of his property that statement must show it to be worth much more than the value the assessors had placed on it. Under these circumstances no citizen who was over assessed had any redress by law whatever.

It appears that cases of this kind have been taken up by the council or the finance committee and if it appeared that injustice was being done a citizen his valuation has been reduced, although the action was quite contrary to the terms of the statute.

Mr. Hartley suggested that since the town's contribution to the county exchequer had recently been charged from a certain percentage of the town valuation to a certain fixed sum, there was no object in keeping the town valuation down below reality.

Coun. Dibblee said the assessment was not properly made anyway. It was said that the assessors were not paid enough to make a decent assessment, and that might be true. He thought the town should pay more money and get a more equitable assessment. He found that men with property in sight were paying large sums in taxes, while men quite as wealthy but whose property was not quite so tangible were getting off with the payment of small sums. He thought that the men who were squeezed the worst were by no means the most prompt to quarrel with their assessment. The matter of unjust taxation and the remedy therefor will be taken up on Friday evening.

Seven citizens who live on the Houlton road presented a petition requesting that the benefit of the town water works system be extended to them. These citizens are Charles R. Smith, Delancy Smith, Thomas Allen, H. Norman Smith, James B. Brewer, W. A. Clark, William Bagley.

To extend the water supply to the town limits on the Houlton road would be very expensive, and it was urged that, though these citizens lived within the limits of the town, their taxes had been greatly reduced for the reason that they had not the advantage the water supply. The matter will be decided on Friday night.

On the account of the railway men, who do not get their income till late in the month, and who always want to take advantage of the tax discount, it was suggested that the limit for the discount be changed from July 15 to the 25th. The matter will be settled on Friday evening.

Down at the end of Queen Street on the river bank there is a dumping ground that is awful to behold, a disgrace to the town and perhaps a menace to its health. On motion the town marshal was authorized to put up placards at the spot forbidding any one to throw refuse there.

One very bad part of the river bank at that point belongs to the estate of the late Fred Moore, now owned by Messrs George Moore and C. Miles Moore.

The feeling at the council was that these two whole hearted gentlemen had at heart the welfare of Woodstock and of their friends here; and if the matter was properly presented to them they would not allow any one to use their land for the disfigurement of the town.

In this connection mention was made of the manure slide attached to the river bridge, which was called a most disgusting affair and a disgrace to the town.

The Woodstock Field Battery.

The Woodstock Field Battery is in camp on Watson's farm, with their full strength of 102 officers, noncoms. and men, and 57 horses. Their officers are Major Good officer commanding, Capt. F. B. Carvell, Lieut. A. W. Fields, Charles Grey, and Randolph good, and Dr. Hand, Major Surgeon, and Dr. Pugsley, Lieut. Veterinary Surgeon.

The noncoms. are Sgt. Major Homer Kimball, Quarter Master Sgt. Robert Carvell, and Sgts. Harold Grey, Tom McCafferty, Allie Hayden, C. W. Ash, Burns Grant and Robert Jones.

The camp is most pleasantly and advantageously situated. Mr. Fields who is the engineer of the Battery had the spring cleaned out so that the horses can be easily watered within the grounds. He also ran a wire in and installed a telephone in camp.

On Sunday the Battery marched to service at St. Luke's church, where Archdeacon Neals preached and inspiring sermon to them.

There 97 officers and men in the line of march, headed by the 67th Regt. Band.

On returning to camp the officers entertained fifty-one guests at dinner, the band playing throughout.

The class of men in the Battery was never better than this year, and the horses are as usual above reproach.

Presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths.

About thirty of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Griffiths assembled at the residence of Mrs. Astle on Monday evening to tender a welcome to the newly married couple on their arrival from their wedding tour. A very enjoyable evening was spent, the most important feature being the presentation of a very handsome sectional book-case. Mr. J. Douglas Carey was spokesman for the gathering and in a few choice and appropriate words made the presentation. Short addresses were made by Messrs. C. L. Smith, R. E. Holyoke, John LePage, Harry Stevens and others, and Harry Dunbar rendered a couple of solos. Ice cream and cake were furnished and after ample justice had been done to this part of the programme the gathering dispersed.

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