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LOST.

Will the finder of a small amount of money in bills, lost on Main Street the 5th inst., kindly return the same to the undersigned at L. E. Young's office. JESSIE DAVIES.

LOST.

On Saturday, December 3rd, between Bairdville and Centreville, a fur scarf. Will the finder please leave at F. G. BURTT'S, Centreville. Dec. 7, 21.

MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS.

His Worship Entertains the Board and Officials at an Oyster Supper

It has been customary for some years past for the Chief Magistrate of the town to give something in the nature of a supper to the board at or about the close of the year. Mayor Lindsay is determined that such a good and pious old custom shall not be broken into during his regime. So, last Friday evening after the fathers of the city had concluded their deliberations, on the invitation of the mayor they betook themselves to the Royal Cafe, where they enjoyed the creature comforts of luscious oyster stews, with a goodly number of oysters to each dish, fruit and the fragrant Havana, to stimulate the thoughts, verbally expressed, when the intellectual period of the evening had come. The mayor was in the chair, Councillor Dibblee acting as vice-chairman. Around the board were Councillors Stevens, Burt, Gallagher and Fisher, Mr. Munro, Superintendent of Water Works, Chief of Police Kelly, J. C. Hartley, Town Clerk and Solicitor, School Trustee George Balmain, J. P. Malaney, Editor of the Sentinel and T. C. L. Ketchum. A few others who had been invited were unable to be present owing to previous engagements. Councillor Dibblee proposed the toast of the mayor in which he took occasion to refer to Mayor Lindsay's successful year and to the satisfactory manner in which he had filled his office, and expressed the wish and hope that he would be honoured by being returned by acclamation for a second years service.

The mayor thanked the proposer of the toast for his kind words. He gave a resume of the work of the council during the past year, spoke of the pleasant relations that had existed between himself and the board, and between the various members of the board. He had endeavoured to do his duty to the best of his ability, and if again intrusted with the confidence of the electorate would give what ability he possessed to the furthering of the interests of the town.

"Councillor Dibblee, the veteran of the board" came next on the list. The councillor referred to his long service in the Town Council of Woodstock. He endorsed all that the mayor had said of the excellent relations between the members of the board this year just past. As for himself, he had given a good deal of his time to the town's affairs, and he had now made up his mind to retire. In doing so he wished to enter a protest to the mode pursued in some quarters of more than hinting that councillors were disposed to "boodling." This was not the case. In all his years experience he did not know of any one member of the board who had not while at the board worked with an eye single for the interests of the town.

A toast of the "Council in General" brought forth brief speeches from the remaining members present.

Councillor Burt had a good word to say for the councillors of this and of preceding boards with whom he had been associated. He had decided to retire at the close of the year.

Councillor Stevens reviewed the situation of the town, paid a tribute to the industry of the councillors, and intimated that he was willing to serve another year. He thought, as a general thing a councillor, by reason of experience was worth more the second than the first year, and regretted that several members spoke of retiring.

Councillor Fisher thanked the proposer for the toast. As chairman of the electric light he said that it would be useless to expect a better service unless the worn out lamps were removed and up-to-date ones put in their place. Then there would be no trouble about good service, and this he knew from his practical experience this year. He spoke as if he would consent to run again the year coming.

Councillor Gallagher said that he had decided not to be a candidate this year. One thing he would advise the electors, and that was to put into the council the best men they could select. That was the only way to secure good government. The question of politics should not be regarded.

A toast to the "Town Officials" brought a response from J. C. Hartley, who referring to the act providing for the amalgamation of the town offices, said that he thought he should have made some mistake in drafting it, as he has aided and abetted in an act which might mean his own decapitation as an official. He had been many years clerk and had tried to do his duties faithfully.

Mr. Munro also responded. During the evening reference had been made to his announcement of retiring and regret was expressed. Mr. Munro said that he felt obliged to take this step. He had been

working under too high pressure, and felt that he could no longer attend to his own business and fill such an important office. As to the water service of the town in 1887 we were a progressive town, but we had not kept pace with the times. The bulk of water used was increasing every year, and the present pumps were taxed to their utmost. More pumping power would have to be secured before long. Perhaps when the company securing electricity from the Meduxnakiik had their plant going, a solution of the difficulty would be found there. Electricity is evidently the power of the day. People were always complaining of the taxes. He always told such people that their demands were increasing. They wanted better service and expected to pay as little for it as when they were satisfied with a less satisfactory service. He advised the town keeping a steam engine and keeping it in good repair. When the big fire in Houlton was on, several councillors went with him over to Houlton. They made many inquiries about the engine, and he noticed kept at safe distance, when the engine was in use. It could only be run with a comparatively small pressure, with any safety.

Chief of Police Kelly responded in fitting terms to the toast.

Mr. Balmain replied for the Board of School Trustees. He pointed out that at the end of the year, it would often be noticed that the town owed the schools so much. This was to be explained by the fact that the school year did not end the same time as the town fiscal year. He congratulated the Mayor on his excellent record during his first year and prophesied that he would do good work for the town in 1905.

Mr. Malaney and Mr. Ketchum replied to the toast of the Press.

A very pleasant evening came to a close just before the lights retired for the night.

A Consolidated School For Florenceville.

Three of the final meetings in connection with the consolidation of the school districts of Florenceville, East Florenceville, Connell and other contiguous districts, were held on Saturday December 3rd. In East Florenceville a mass meeting of the ratepayers was held in Jamieson's Hall. Benjamin McIsaac was appointed chairman. Inspector Meagher dwelt at some length on the benefits of a consolidated school and presented clearly to the assembled ratepayers the whole question of consolidation from educational and economical points of view. Instructor Brittain spoke on other phases of the question, and B. Frank Smith, M. P. P., followed in an interesting speech in favor of consolidation, which undoubtedly turned the waverers, of whom there were not a few, prior to the meeting. Speeches were also given by other prominent residents. The motion for consolidation was carried by majority of 26 B. Frank Smith was elected a provisional trustee to confer with provisional trustees elected by the other districts on the site for the consolidated school and other matters.

In Florenceville Instructor Brittain addressed the meeting and was listened to with the closest attention. The motion for consolidation was carried unanimously. A provincial trustee was elected and some other necessary business transacted. At Connell J. A. Perry was elected chairman. The meeting was addressed by Inspector Meagher and J. N. Perry, secretary of trustees. The vote was close, the chairman giving his casting vote in favor of consolidation. J. N. Perry was elected a provisional trustee. The remaining districts to be embraced in the consolidation are River Bank, Cogswell Settlement and Lower Greenfield.

The meetings in River Bank and Cogswell will be held on Friday, the 16th inst. and in Lower Greenfield on the 17th inst.

Mrs. M. Gallagher.

Mrs. Michael Gallagher died at her home at Newburg on Sunday, December 4th, after a long illness, at the age of 56 years. She is survived by a husband, three daughters, Mrs. Alfred Culbert, of Lowell, Mrs. P. Culbert and Mrs. James Brown and three sons, George, William and John Gallagher, of Newburg. The funeral took place at 9:30 Wednesday morning, when Rev. Father Bradley celebrated a Requiem High Mass in Newburg church, before interment in the cemetery adjoining the church. The organist and choir of St. Gertrude's church, Woodstock, assisted in the Requiem Mass. Mrs. Culbert arrived from Lowell in time for the funeral.

Booklovers' Library to Close.

Members of the Booklovers' Library holding books are requested to leave the same at library not later than Saturday Dec. 17th, as the service will be discontinued in town after that date.

The Late H. S. Wright did not die a Natural Death but was Killed.

The distressing news now reaches us that Mr. H. S. Wright whose untimely death was announced last week did not die a natural death but was killed by falling over a precipice.

On Thursday, November 24th, he left the house where he was staying in Edinburgh for a walk and went by a pleasant path that lead along the edge of a steep declivity. He must have slipped and fallen, for later his body was found in a quarry at the foot of the declivity. The physicians are of the opinion that death was instantaneous. The remains were interred in Morriston cemetery beside those of his brother. The dean of Edinburgh conducted the service.

The first cablegram sent to his relatives in Canada announcing his death could not be delivered because the address was defective.

The sympathy of the public goes out to the children of Mr. Wright with renewed force since this painful news has been received.

Annual Meeting of the Carleton County Agricultural Society.

The annual meeting of the Carleton County Agricultural Society held in the Record office last Wednesday afternoon was well attended. The President Judson Briggs was in the chair.

The Secretary, C. F. Rogers said that \$1165.65 had been paid in prizes at the last exhibition while expenses were \$357.69. He was asked to prepare a general financial report for the next meeting.

It was decided that if a government grant could not be secured that no exhibition should be held in 1905. The following committee was appointed to ask the Government for a grant: Robert Brown, Judson Briggs and C. L. Smith.

The matter of freight rates came up and the following committee was appointed to discuss the question with the Board of Trade on Monday evening:—George Sharp, James Good, Judson Briggs, C. L. Smith, Thomas Strong, W. A. Flemming, Henry Smith and N. F. Phillips.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Judson Briggs, President.
G. W. Shaw, 1st Vice Pres.
J. T. A. Dibblee, 2nd Vice Pres.
C. L. Smith, Secy, Treas.
H. D. Stevens, Auditor.

Warm For a Few Seconds.

What might have been a fatal explosion occurred in the basement of B. Frank Smith's big building at East Florenceville last Thursday afternoon. Some repairs had been made to the Acetylene gas machine and the machine was being charged. F. S. Hunter, Coleman Shaw, Roland Semple and Arthur Jewett were engaged in the work. A match was lighted to enable them to look at the pipes before the cover was put down, but the gas had not been shut off tight and the result was that the top of the machine was blown to pieces. Luckily none of the young men were killed but there were some burned fingers in the bunch. On the explosion all the inhabitants of the building got outdoors very rapidly but fortunately their fears were idle and they all returned, somewhat relieved to find that they were alive.

Carlisle Hotel Scorched.

The Carlisle Hotel had a narrow escape Tuesday evening of last week. About ten minutes before seven o'clock fire was discovered in the hay loft of the barn and it had got a good start before the alarm was sent in. The firemen were promptly on the ground and by strenuous efforts saved the main body of the hotel.

The horses were all taken from the barn in safety. The fire worked its way from the barn into the new ell that Mr. Tabor had just completed and pretty well gutted this part of the building.

Mr. Tabor will receive the sum of \$2263.62 in insurance from the following fire companies the Home, the British American, the Guardian, the Canadian and the Northern. This sum will not cover his loss by any means. With characteristic energy Mr. Tabor began to rebuild the morning after the fire. At present his livery business is carried on at the stable of John Hughes.

Card of Thanks.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Carleton Co. Hospital extend their most sincere thanks to those in country and town who so generously provided the supplies for the very successful supper held in the opera house, Dec. 8th, 1904; also to those who furnished horses and sleighs gratis, and to the trustees of the said Hospital, who so zealously assisted and contributed in other ways.

MRS. T. F. SPRAGUE, PRES.
MRS. R. B. JONES, SEC.
MRS. F. H. J. DIBBLEE, TREAS.