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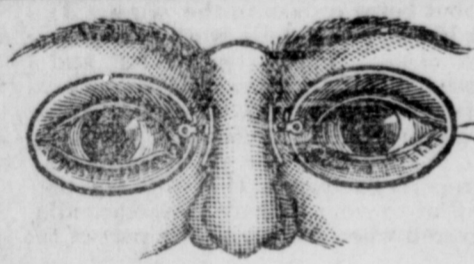
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Increase over 1901,	1,058,935.00
Income,	1,240,890.00
Increase over 1901,	177,249.00
Assets as at December 31, 1902,	4,406,329.00
Increase over 1901,	633,852.00
Insurance in force,	30,152,883.00
Increase over 1901,	3,013,952.00

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Woodstock Deanery Meeting.

The quarterly session of Woodstock Deanery was held at Andover on Tuesday Feb. 2nd. The following clergyman were present: J. E. Flewelling, Arthur W. Teed, Chas. E. Maimann, F. M. C. Bedell and James M. R. Gladstone. At the service on Tuesday evening in Trinity church Archdeacon Harte with his assistant Mr. Forster were also present. The service was hearty the singing good and an excellent sermon was preached by Mr. Harte from the text "Here am I, send me." The chapter met for business at Mr. Waite's residence. John 3 was read and discussed. A paper was read by the rector of Canterbury which caused considerable discussion. Adjourned to meet again on April 26 at Grand Falls.

The Sunday School Teachers Association held its session on Wednesday evening in the Sunday School hall which was fairly well attended. The officers were re-elected Rev. A. W. Teed, President and David Hipwell, Sec. Treas. Reports were received from Sunday schools at McAdam, Canterbury, Richmond, Woodstock, Andover and New Denmark which were very interesting. Adjourned to meet again about time of next Deanery meeting and at same place.

Miss Josie M. Baker.

Miss Josie M. Baker, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. I. W. N. Baker, died on Saturday afternoon after a painful illness of a few months of spinal meningitis, at the age of 11 years and 10 months.

The funeral was held on Monday afternoon at half past two o'clock, the services being conducted by the Rev. F. Allison Currier M. A., assisted by the Rev. W. E. Wiggins, B. A., and the Rev. Z. L. Fash, B. A. The pall bearers were, Arthur Fisher, Guy Gable, Roy Brewer and Harry Hipwell. The boys of her school attended the funeral in a body.

The late Josie M. Baker was a lovely little girl who by her brightness and her charming disposition endeared herself to everyone who knew her.

Bank of Nova Scotia.

A circular issued by the Bank of Nova Scotia, sent us by Mr. B. M. Macleod, manager at Woodstock, contains the following information:—

The exceptionally large amount of specie and legal tenders—\$3,669,701.69, equal to 15.45% of liabilities—together with foreign balances and other immediately available assets, equal altogether to 64.30% of liabilities, make the statement an unusually strong one from the depositor's standpoint as well as from that of the merchant or trader.

The rapid progress of the Bank during the past ten years is shown by the following figures:

	Dec. 31, 1893.
Capital,	\$1,500,000.00
Reserve Fund,	1,200,000.00
Total Deposits,	6,895,231.06
	Dec. 31, 1898.
Capital,	\$1,500,000.00
Reserve Fund,	1,725,000.00
Total Deposits,	11,901,644.29
	Dec. 31, 1903.
Capital,	\$2,000,000.00
Reserve Fund,	3,100,000.00
Total Deposits,	21,482,842.84

During the period covered by the foregoing figures the number of Branches has increased from 27 to 52 and the rate of dividend has been raised from 8% to 10% since 1898.

To Fredericton Next.

At a recent meeting of the Fredericton City Council the Mayor read a communication from William Craddock of Woodstock, asking what concessions would be granted by the city for the establishment of a woodworking factory there, said factory to employ from 40 to 60 hands and have a capital of \$50,000.

The mayor stated that he had replied to the communication, stating that he would lay the matter before the council. He invited the applicants to visit the city and look over the ground for themselves and select a site. A second letter from Mr. Craddock was received asking if the city would be willing to grant a bonus of \$10,000, and exemption from taxes and water rates for a term of years.

An Aged Legislator.

Senator Wark, the oldest legislator in the world, will attain his hundredth year on the 19th of the present month. On that occasion the Corporation of Fredericton will present him with a congratulatory address. The City Corporation decided over a month ago to make this presentation, but having regard for the well known modesty of the venerable statesman it could not proceed further until it was satisfied he would accept the presentation. The address will be a thoughtful expression of appreciation of the life work of one of Canada's foremost statesmen.—F^ton Gleaser.

MR. COLPITTS IS INSPECTOR.

Bonds for \$5000. to be Issued to Reduce Bank Debit Balance.

At the meeting of the town council on Friday evening the Mayor was in the chair and all the councillors were present except Coun. Burt, who was ill.

P. Bradley was re-elected to the school board.

The Mayor announced that he had refused to sign a check for the school board, and that he would not sign another check until the bank debit balance had been reduced, to its proper dimensions at least. He said the Inspector of the Bank of Nova Scotia who was in town a few days ago had spoken to him about the debit balance.

During the discussion of the debit balance it was decided to ask for legislation to allow the council to issue five bonds for \$1000. each, to reduce the balance, one bond to be retired each year.

Coun. Jones then proposed that legislation be obtained to annul the act giving the town power to grant bonuses to new industries as the industries already assisted by the act had not come up to his expectations.

Coun. Dibblee did not see the necessity for doing away with this legislation as the matter was in the hands of the electors to say whether grants should be made for any industry demanding it.

T. C. L. Ketchum and John S. Leighton, jr., were appointed auditors and requested to audit the accounts of all officers of the town and to prepare a statement of the town indebtedness.

Robert Brown and J. Rankin Brown who appeared on behalf of the Agricultural Society, being heard, requested the council to give a grant for the annual Carleton County Exhibition to be held here this fall. The sum of \$400.00 was mentioned as a sum that would be appreciated.

Mayor Lindsay and Coun. Dibblee said that in making up the estimates this matter would receive due consideration.

The vexed question of a Scott Act Inspector then came up. It was moved by Coun. Stevens seconded by Coun. Jones that Mr. Colpitts be inspector at a salary of \$100 a year.

Moved in amendment by Coun. Gallagher, seconded by Coun. Dibblee that the matter be laid over till next meeting.

The amendment was lost and the motion carried, Couns. Stevens, Jones and Gallagher voting yes.

At the meeting of the council on Monday evening the 8th the following report from the superintendent of water works was read by Coun. Dibblee.

TO HIS WORSHIP, THE MAYOR, AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK:—

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith beg leave to submit the annual report of the Water Works Department of the town.

MACHINERY.

During the past year some very extensive repairs were made to the pumping plant, the foundations under the pumps were improved by forcing cement under the bed plates and making them more secure, the pump cylinders were rebored and new pump rods and plungers as well as new valve plates with smaller valves put in. We have had some break downs to the machinery both before the repairs and since, and Mr. Phillips is doing the very best that can be done to have the pumps run as smooth as possible, and he reports that they are in as good condition as can be made, and may be relied upon till they break down again.

It will be noticed that there is an increase in the amount of fuel used. This may be put down to the increase in water pumped, also to the continued low water in the river, as well as to operating the pumps without the condensing apparatus.

The boilers are in good order, but are now twenty years old and are, as they have always been, too small for the service, and should be replaced by larger ones.

WATER MAINS, GATES AND HYDRANTS.

The water mains, stop gates and fire hydrants are all in good order. The stand pipe and crib well were cleaned out and the mains flushed during the summer.

I beg to direct your attention to the matter of the consumption of water, as the amount pumped last year was the highest we have ever pumped, being an increase of 10,000,000 gallons over the previous year. Ever since the works were put in we have always had a very large increase in our pumpage during the winter months but all previous records were broken last winter during the month of February when we pumped 9,873,000 gallons being a daily average of 352,621 gallons each 24 hours. During the month of May the pumpage fell to 6,340,000 gallons being an average of 204,536 gallons per day, which was the lowest of any month during the year. The consumption has now reached a point where one of two things must be done; either have it reduced by stopping the waste, or provide more pumping plant. To provide additional pumping plant will involve a large outlay as well as increase the yearly expense for oil and fuel.

According to prominent water works

authorities it is admitted that fully 50 per cent. of water supplied on the flat rate or not measured is wasted. The two systems of waste prevention, namely, 1st inspection and enforcement of penalties, and 2nd measuring and charging for the quantity taken. The first course is of no practical use whatever as while parties may for a time comply with the inspector's request yet in a short time the waste is continued. The 2nd course provides a sleepless and tireless inspector, and when the consumer knows that he has to pay for all the water taken, there will be very little wasted.

The total amount of water pumped during the past year was as near as can be estimated 101,891,000 gallons being an average of 279,700 gallons per day and the revenue amounted to \$7,344.91 being an average of seven cents per 1000 gallons. Deducting from amount of water pumped the following quantities used for purposes for which no charge was made, quantities being estimated:

Water used at Pumping Station for Boilers, etc.	700,000
Town Hall,	100,000
Hose Station, No. 2,	40,000
Town School,	500,000
Street Sprinkling,	2,000,000
Flushing Sewers,	4,000,000
Flushing Water Pipes,	2,000,000
County Jail,	100,000
	9,440,000
Add for Leaks on Water Mains,	2,000,000
	11,440,000

Leaving for Water Furnished Consumers 90,451,000. The revenue from which was \$7,344.91 or an average of about eight cents per 1000 gallons.

The amount of water measured through meters to consumers was:

Railway, Manufactures & Motors,	7,974,000 gals.
Revenue, 1161.29 avg per 1000 gals.	144 cents
Hotels, Livery Stables and Shops,	816,000 gals.
Revenue, 201.75 avg 25 cents per 1000 gals.	1000 gals.
Residences, (68)	1,934,000 gals.
Revenue, 605.05 avg 31 cents per 1000 gals.	

Totals, 81,968,000 avg. 18.13 cts. 10,724,000

Deducting the amount of water not used from the 90,451,000 gallons furnished to consumers leaves 79,727,000 gallons, for which we received \$5,376.91 which was an average of about 6.610 cents per 1000 gallons. It may be seen from the above that should the same amount of water be taken by measurement and the average charge be as above 13.13 cents per 1000 gallons that instead of the revenue being only \$5,376.00 it would be increased to \$14,616.00.

Apart from the large expense entailed by this waste, is the danger we are liable to should any serious fire occur, requiring a large number of streams, at a time when there is such a drain on the system, as our present pumps are not sufficient to maintain the supply and furnish the additional water required by the fire department, and occurring at a time when the stand pipes are all coated up with ice, reducing the capacity very largely and holding a limited quantity to draw from in such an emergency.

All of which is respectfully submitted,
DONALD MUNRO,
Superintendent Water Works,
Woodstock, January 11th, 1904.

Mr. Munro in addressing the council said that the citizens were allowing the water to run so persistently that the pumps had to work twice as many hours as in the summer. There was grave danger that with the water running away, as it was at present being allowed to, a fire might occur that the firemen could not handle for lack of water. As things stood at present they had a very small margin of force for fire purposes. The present bad state of affairs could only be remedied in one of two ways; either by preventing the waste of water or by increasing the pumping power. The introduction of a meter system by which every citizen would pay for exactly the amount of water used would soon decrease the waste, and the placing of the necessary meters would cost about \$10,000, and this amount would provide an extra pumping capacity that would allow the present waste of water and yet give plenty of power for fire purposes. However the use of more powerful pumps would involve an extra expense for fuel.

The matter will be fully gone into by the council.

Mr. Munro was instructed to collect rates of water rates by process of law and in the case of services where rates could not be so collected the water will be turned off to the spring.

Owing to the unusual amount of pumping necessary just now the supply of fuel at the station is very low and for this reason the electric lights will be run only on Sunday nights till further notice.

The council resolved itself into a committee of the whole with Mayor Lindsay in the chair and passed the estimates for the year, which are as follows:—

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.	
Interest on debentures,	\$3800 00
Interest at Bank,	450 00
W. W. exp.,	3680 00
Sinking Fund or Bonus Debenture,	200 00
Electric Lights,	1500 00
Schools,	5200 00
Streets,	1300 00
Fire,	1200 00
Police,	2600 00
County purposes,	2543 00
Police,	950 00
Town team,	600 00

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