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### The Canadian Club.

The work of the formation of the Canadian Club has been carried on as far as its foundation is concerned, three meetings of the committee entrusted with the work having been held. The officers elected are as follows:—President, C. L. S. Raymond; first vice-president, Rev. G. D. Ireland; 2nd vice-president, F. B. Mesher; secretary, T. C. L. Ketchum; assistant secretary, I. N. Draper; literary correspondent, C. D. Richards; treasurer, Harry Noble. Additional members of Executive, Rev. R. G. Fulton, G. A. White, Albert Hayden, Frank Atherton, Arthur F. Garden.

Rev. Mr. Ireland, G. A. White and T. C. Ketchum were named a committee to secure speakers for public meetings. It is hoped that Hon. D. A. Fraser, Lieut-Gov. of Nova Scotia, will consent to be the first speaker. Applications for membership are being printed and can be secured from secretary.

Following is the constitution:—

CONSTITUTION OF THE CANADIAN CLUB OF CARLETON COUNTY.

1. The Club shall be called the Canadian Club of Carleton County.
2. It is the purpose of the Club to foster patriotism by encouraging the study of the institutions, history, arts, literature and resources, of Canada, to promote good citizenship and true loyalty by any reasonable means within its power, to endeavour to raise the standard of public life by using its influence to have only men of unquestioned morality and integrity chosen to fill positions of public trust, and by endeavouring to unite Canadians in such work for the welfare and progress of the Dominion as may be desirable and expedient, and this society, in its individual and collective capacity pledges itself to use its best endeavours to prevent the violation of the election laws of Canada or New Brunswick or any other law, causing the standard of citizenship to be lowered.

3. (a) There shall be two classes of members—active and honorary.

- (b) Any man at least eighteen years of age, who is a British subject by birth or naturalization, and who is in sympathy with the objects of the Club, shall be eligible for membership.

- (c) Honorary membership may be conferred on such persons as in the opinion of the Club may be entitled to such distinction.

- 4 Applications for membership must be made in writing through two members of the Club in good standing and the names must be submitted to the Secretary and voted upon at next Executive meeting. Two black balls shall exclude.

5. (a) Honorary members shall be exempt from the payment of fees, but shall neither vote nor hold office.

- (b) Active members shall pay in advance an annual fee of One Dollar.

- (c) No one shall be a member in good standing until he shall have paid his annual fee such being due and payable on or before January 1st of each year.

- (d) Only members in good standing shall be eligible for office or have the right to vote at any meeting of the Club.

6. (a) The Officers of the Club shall consist of a President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Literary Correspondent, Treasurer, and five others holding no specific office. These officers, together with the last retiring President, shall constitute the Executive Committee.

- (b) The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Club which shall be held on the last Monday in October, and shall hold office until the next annual meeting, or until their successors are elected.

- (c) In case of demission of office, whether by death, resignation or otherwise, the vacancy thereby caused shall be filled by the Executive Committee. The person so elected shall hold office until the next annual meeting.

7. (a) Subject to special action by the Club, the conduct of its affair shall be vested in the Executive Committee.

- (b) The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the President and five members shall constitute a quorum.

- (c) Where the President is unable or refuses to call a meeting, three members of the Executive may do so by giving the others at least 24 hours notice in writing.

8. (a) No notice of ordinary meetings shall be necessary but notice of all annual meetings and special meetings shall be given by publication in the local newspapers.

- (b) Ten members in good standing present at any meeting of the Club shall constitute a quorum.

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### Hospital Fund.

COLLECTED BY MRS. A. W. HAY

Mrs. E. R. Teed	\$5.00
Mrs. A. W. Hay	3.00
Mrs. Harry Smith	2.00
Rev. R. G. Fulton	2.00
Rev. E. C. Turner	1.00
Misses Sherrard	2.00
Mrs. (Dr.) Kierstead	2.00
R. A. Brown	2.00
Mrs. G. H. Harrison	1.00
Geo. Maver	1.00
James Carr	1.00
Mrs. John Stewart	.50
Mrs. W. Corbett	.50
Mrs. H. S. Burt	.50
Dr. Griffin	2.00

J. T. G. Carr, Hartland..... \$28.50  
Mrs. J. T. G. Carr, Hartland..... 2.50

100 lbs flour, G A Brittain, Bristol. \$33.50

COLLECTED BY MRS. B. INGRAHAM

Mrs. Potter	\$0.50
Mrs. Chas. Taylor	.50
Mrs. Claude Aughterton	.75
Mrs. Evans	.50
S. McKibbin	.50
E. McKinney	.50
Mrs. Thomas Fewer	.50
Mrs. John Thibedeau	.50
Mrs. Swift	.50
Mrs. Payson	.50
Mrs. McPhail	.50

\$5.75

CHILDREN OF THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS:

South Johnville	\$1.75
Johnville	2.25
Kilfoil	2.30
Holmesville	.50

\$6.80

### Teachers' Institute.

The Carleton and Victoria Teachers' Institute will be held in the armory, Woodstock, on Thursday and Friday, Dec. 17th and 18th.

An informal reception will be given visiting teachers in the Hayden-Gibson theatre on Wednesday evening, 16th inst.

A public meeting will be held on Thursday evening, 17th inst. in the Hayden-Gibson theatre. The president of the institute, F. C. Squires, will act as chairman, and addresses will be delivered by Dr. Inch, Hon. J. K. Flemming, F. B. Carvell, M. P., and others.

The secretary, R. E. Estabrooks, has arranged the following program:—

First Session, Thursday, 10.00 a. m.—Enrolment. Appointment of Committees. Addresses by President, Inspectors and others.  
Second Session, 1.30 p. m.—Minutes. Reports of Committees. Miscellaneous Business. Paper, "Geography," by Miss H. B. McCain, "A Few Thoughts on Results of Education," Mr. C. L. S. Raymond.

Third Session, Friday, 9.00 a. m.—Minutes. Election of Officers. Miscellaneous Business. "Drawing," H. H. Hagerman, A. M. Paper by Miss Bessie M. Fraser.

Fourth Session, Friday, 2.00 p. m.—Minutes. Report of Secretaries. "Writing," W. J. Osborne, Prin. of Fredericton Business College. Unfinished Business. New Business.

### Ivanhoe Lodge.

Tuesday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

T. McLean, vice-chancellor; Burrell Britton, prelate; Wm. Hill, master-at-arms; Benj. Griffiths, K of R & S; N. F. Thorne, master of exchequer; Wm. Loane, inner guard, Walter Stone, outer guard; Dr. Sprague, trustee.

After election the brethren enjoyed an oyster supper at the Royal Cafe, on invitation of the new Chancellor Commander, Wm. Balmain.

### Florenceville Consolidated School.

The following made an average of 80 and over on November Examinations, arranged in order of merit:

Grade XI—Edith McCain, Della Sison, Edna Giberson, Fred Ross.

Grade X.—Margaret Keenan, Percy Smith, Rose McSheffery.

Grade VIII.—Roland Fiske, James Turner, Vaughn Moore.

Grade VII.—Ida Birmingham, Ernest Saunders, Edith Haughn, Stella Hunter.

Grade VI.—Andrew Stephenson, Hazel McCormick, Ella McKay.

Grade V.—Byron Ross.

Grade IV.—Jennie Nicholson, Jamie Davis.

Grade III.—Eva Gillespie, Viola Hartley, Ned Perkins.

Grade II.—Thomas Hunter, Katie Haughn, George McMullin, Jasper Schriver, Vaughn Trafford.

Grade I.—Lillian Holmes, Mary Smalley, Nellie Moores, Eldon Hunter, George Hartley.

THE Woodstock Clothing Co., have had a new electric sign placed over their entrance by Harry Baird.

NOTHING nicer for a Christmas Gift than a nice Smoking Jacket or Dressing Gown. See the line the Woodstock Clothing Company are showing.

### Town Affairs.

The noise and rumpus of the election for the so-called, although wrongly so-called, "higher" legislative bodies, unless like most the nearer corrupting, the "higher" it is, the people of the town would do well to take stock in the coming election for Mayor and councillors or "Aldermen" if you please to call them so. In doing so the DISPATCH would urge that the rate-payers consider how they have discharged their duties as trustees of the affairs of the town for the past year. Whether they collectively or individually happen to believe that Sir Wilfred Laurier is the greatest statesman that ever was, or that Mr. R. L. Borden is a political Moses who will sometime lead the country out of darkness, really does not affect the matter our good friends, the politicians, to the contrary, notwithstanding. It may possibly be a moot question as to whether or no provincial affairs should be run on dominion lines but there can be no question that town affairs should not be so run. That we have decent county councils is due to the fact that the deadly machine microbe has not yet found a breeding place there.

A careful review of the year's work by the present town council would indicate that they have carried on town affairs with a good deal of prudence and ability. They have established a good record in the difficult task of tax-collecting, and upon the whole the departments, from the figures presented to us, and from the practical effect seem to have been well managed. The bed of the town councillor is not downy. Unlike the "higher" legislators he has to worry about how the people will look at each move which means increased taxation. If a council has raised the rate of taxation, it must be for some apparent reason, or the wrath of the elector will speedily be shown. In Dominion and Provincial matters we go on gaily, for in them it appears there is a sort of "painless extraction" known as indirect taxation.

The personnel of the present council is in its favor. The mayor is a young man, comparatively, one of our best citizens, a business man of ability, who consented to act a year ago, on a large requisition from the ratepayers. He has given valuable service to the town, and is certainly deserving of the honour, seldom withheld of a second term, unopposed. In his council he has excellent support. There is not a man on the board, who is not fitted for his duties, either in the way of natural ability, or municipal experience. It is some years since we have had such a competent council, not since the days a dozen years ago or so, when things had come to such a pass that citizens meetings were held and the best men of the town urged to take a hand in town affairs. For our part we would wish that the life of a town council was two years instead of one. The change has been found most successful in the constitution of the county council, and would, we believe, be well made in town matters.

But until this change is made we can show our approval of the conduct of those citizens who give their time to the town service, gratuitously, and do their duty faithfully and with ability, by asking them to continue at the board for the coming year.

SILK Suspenders, neatly boxed, make a very nice Christmas Gift. The Woodstock Clothing Company are showing a very handsome range.

### Woodstock Case in Court.

The suit of the E. W. Heney Company of Montreal vs Frank R. Shaw and Hadden Birmingham et al, of Woodstock, was begun Monday afternoon in St. John before Mr Justice McLeod, at an adjourned sitting of the November circuit of the supreme court.

The defendants Shaw and Birmingham, in a letter to the Heney Company, it is set out, agreed to become responsible for goods supplied to a Woodstock company to the extent of \$1000. The Heney Company supplied the Woodstock company with goods to the extent of \$2000, and the latter company having failed to pay for the goods, the Heney Company is suing Messrs. Shaw and Birmingham for surties.

The defendants have put in a great number of pleas, among them being one that the plaintiff company is an extra provincial company and having failed to take out a license, as it is alleged they should have done under the Extra Provincial Corporations Act, they were doing business in this province illegally, and the whole transaction was therefore void.

On behalf of the plaintiff company, it is replied that the company does not come within the terms of the Extra Provincial Corporations Act at all, since it was incorporated by a dominion act and therefore can do business, as it is done by the company in any province; further that the company had no resident agent in New Brunswick but supplied goods ordered through its travelers, and is consequently not affected by the Extra Provincial Corporations Act.

M. G. Teed, K. C., opened Monday for the plaintiff company, after which adjournment was taken until this morning. M. G. Teed, K. C., and J. N. W. Winslow, of Woodstock are for the plaintiff company, and W. P. Jones, K. C., and F. B. Carvell, K. C. for the defendants.

Two packages of Seeded Raisins for 15 cents at H. G. Noble's.

CHRISTMAS Neckties.—The Woodstock Clothing Company are showing a very handsome range of neckwear, in the seasons latest styles and colorings.