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### WINNERS OF \$5.00 PRIZES.

Names of Those Who Have Completed Union Blend Tea Alphabets.

The list of collectors of the alphabet cards in Union Blend Tea packages who have been successful in completing their series during the month of December and have thereby won five dollar prizes, includes, the following names:

Mrs Morgan, Morgan's Lake, N B; Miss Oora Tilley, Victoria Corner, N B; Mrs Tyson Barnes, Hampton Station, N B; W. T. Thompson, King Dam, N B; Mrs Howard Hanson, Upper Keswick, N B; Allan McNabb, Boiesetown, N B; Miss Mary J Stitham, Bath, N B; Mrs G W Grant, Lower Southampton, N B; W Earle Dickson, Chatham, N B; Walter J Guthrie, Oromoco, N B; Harold H Miller, Nackawick, N B; Benedict Lyton, Blackville, N B; James

Phillips, Upper Kinross, N B; Mrs L McLaughlin, Central Tower Hill, N B; Joseph Wallace, St John, N B; L Spenny, Utopia, N B; Miss J M Quigley, Debec Jet, N B; William Goorey, Fairville, N B; Mrs Sex on, Fairville, N B; Mrs B Hatfield, St John, N B; R Bruce Steeves, Surrey, N B; Edith M Gillespie, Moncton, N B; Miss Valentine P Erb, Wickham, N B; Maggie Morrison, Tutuville, N B; Miss B Gardine, Loggieville, N B; Mrs Hannah Loggie, Loggieville, N B; Mrs. Urial Morehouse, Zoland Station, N B.

The list of winners of one dollar prizes in the same contest, includes: Lewis Gilliland, Percy Point, N B; Gordon Chamberlain, Little River, N B; Mrs H Clark, Minkish, N B; G C Archibald, Hopewell, Cape, N B; Phyllis Fraser, Stanley, N B; Mrs Sexton, Fairville, N B; George Lane, St John, N B; M McNeil, St John, N B; Miss Stella K Steeves, Hillsboro, N B.

### Annual Town Meeting.

A small but enthusiastic audience assembled in the town hall on Monday evening to listen to the addresses of Mayor Jones and the Councillors touching on the work done during the past year.

J. T. Allan on being elected chairman of the meeting said he had hoped to see a much larger meeting. The council had tried to get a larger hall, but had shown good judgement in not going to that expense.

Mayor Jones said that during the past year the council had a good many things to contend with, some agreeable and some disagreeable. When I stepped into the gap made by the death of the late Mayor Thorne, I found the council disorganized but since that time they had done good work. Today there was a bank surplus of our \$300.00, but last year there was a deficit on January 10th of \$2068.08 and on January 31st it was \$2545.75. That was the object the council had in view, to come out without a deficit. Only one committee oversaw its appropriation, the poor committee. We were going to have the poor and we were going to look after them. There remained yet \$2452.00 of uncollected taxes for 1909 and \$492.00 for water rates to collect. His worship thought a change should be made in the system of collecting taxes. If a bill were sent to each ratepayer setting forth the amount of his taxes and giving him a chance to remedy any over charge, the assessment could be made up on that basis and would prove satisfactory. The members of the council this year had endeavored to serve the town to the best of their ability. They had left politics out of every important question as far as he could see and they deserve credit. I think the town property is better today than it has been for some years. Very much necessary work had been done without going over the appropriations. I have only stepped in here to fill a gap and I will step out and make room for some good man.

Coun. Ketchum, chairman of the finance committee, said he did not know whether the small attendance at the meeting should be taken as a compliment or otherwise. He spoke of the difficulty in getting a full board to serve at the council, and he felt that they were not under any great obligation. He thought there should be more interest shown by the ratepayers in connection with town affairs. He spoke of the loss to the town in the death of Mayor Thorne and of the incoming of Mayor Jones at an opportune time when affairs were in a rather disorganized condition, and he would not ask for a better presiding officer. While there was not an actual surplus, the blame should be borne by the finance minister. Coun. Ketchum read the following report.

#### EXPENDITURES.

	Paid.	Approp'd
Assessors,	\$ 150 00	\$ 150 00
Debateure,	1000 00	1000 00
Interest, (Coupon)	5984 00	6000 00
Fire Dept.,	2321 24	2900 00
C. T. A.,	734 85	250 00
Sewer Dept.,	799 26	1000 00
Water and Light,	6780 98	7500 00
Poor Dept.,	1620 18	1500 00
Town Hall,	323 04	200 00
Town Team,	831 40	850 00
Street Dept.,	1284 79	1500 00
Miscellaneous,	1408 14	2307 43
Police Dept.,	1117 80	1200 00
Printing,	184 00	150 00
Salaries,	300 00	550 00
Public Health,	95 65	200 00
Sinking Fund,	200 00	200 00
Scales,	18 23	.....
Schools,	11000 00	11000 00
Street Survey,	1100 00	500 00
County Purposes,	2642 57	2642 57
County Hospital,	500 00	500 00
Beer Inspection,	96 73	.....
Int. on Over Dis.,	89 73	300 00

#### RECEIPTS.

C. T. A.,	205 00
Sewer Rates,	516 00
Water Rates,	7662 64
Poor Dept.,	139 20
Town Hall,	5 00
Carbing and Asphalt,	173 80
Police (Fines),	64 25
Scales,	85 00
Prov. Gov., Lynch Bldg.,	383 80
Licences,	780 75
Beer Inspection,	40 00
Poor,	40 00
Taxes	28210 01
1908	1270 92
1907	124 00
1906	98 80

\$39,493.69 \$39,799.17

#### RECAPITULATION.

Total cheques honored at Bank,	\$39,493.69
Overdrafts Jan. 1st, 1909,	950.04
Total deposits to Dec. 31, 1909,	\$40,443.73
Cash received too late to deposit on Dec. 31, 1909,	561.73
	151 18
	\$410.55

H. W. BOURNE,  
Town Treasurer.

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 1, 1910.  
The bonded indebtedness of the town was \$136,500. There was a sinking fund of \$1061.81. Two bonds, which had been bearing 4 1/2 per cent interest had been reduced by the issue of a new bond at 4 per cent. The schools had borrowed \$33,000. The total value of town property was \$2,200,000. This year the large appropriation for schools, which

have to be maintained acceptably, was made. All bills against the town had been paid in full, and the next council should be fortunate enough to show a good balance at the bank. He wished to pay as high a tribute as possible to the town officials. Capt W H Bourne and Marshall Kelley. Heroic measures to collect the taxes had been adopted and I think a good showing has been made. In closing, Coun Ketchum said he thought it the duty of every ratepayer to tender his services to the town.

Coun. Fawcett, chairman of the street committee, said he did not intend going into town matters to any extent, as they had been fully gone over by the former speaker. The tax question was a very important one. It had been stated that the taxes had been well collected. There was a certain class who had made a rule of not paying their taxes. Last year one of these men got a discount of \$100.00 in order to get a settlement. This man's name again appears this year on the delinquent list with a \$200.00 deficit. He would not like to press the poor man, but these men whose names appear year after year have a right to pay and should be made to pay. The Supt. of Water Works had started out and he deserved credit for what he did. It was usually the poor man who was made to pay up, but this time it was two of as good men as we have got, and he turned their water off. They both tried to bluff him by threatening him with the law, but they had to pay up. One of the men could find money enough to keep drunk the best part of the year, but he could not pay for the water he used. It was impossible under the present system to collect the taxes. The only successful way is to appoint a collector, and then there will be no strings to pull with the councillors. Since he had been appointed chairman of the temperance committee nothing had been accomplished except by the churches and schools. Last year it cost to enforce the Act \$734.55, with \$205.00 collected from fines, just \$500.00 of the people's money wasted. There is just as much liquor sold now as there was. You will say that I am pinching some people pretty hard when I tell you what is wrong with the Canada Temperance Act. Coun. Fawcett here made a comparison between a member of parliament riding free on a train and Police Magistrate Dibblee running an insurance business in connection with his office, thereby bringing him under the influence of the rumrunner. There was a time last winter when he thought the good Lord was going to call him (the Police Magistrate) to glory, but we still have him on our hands. He thought if the people "got their heads together" there would be a better enforcement of the Act, and that we could get the Valley Railroad or anything else we wanted. If there were enough ratepayers to send him back to the council he would sit for another term, if not he would stay home.

Chairman Dibblee intimated that Coun. Fawcett had not touched on the work done in connection with his department. The roads and sidewalks are in a very bad condition. In connection with some remarks made about the Fisher estate, he said the books of that estate were open to the scrutiny of the ratepayers.

At this late hour space will not permit of giving a report of the interesting reports made by Couns. Hagerman, Fisher and McManus, whose departments were conducted in a business like manner.

Ex Mayor Balmat made some allusion to a report which appeared in the Press in regard to the council of 1908. In concluding his remarks, he said he was surprised that the chairman would permit of Coun. Fawcett making such an insulting attack upon a gentleman of the town who had occupied such a prominent position for so many years. Had the Police Magistrate been a man of the physical capabilities of the chief of the Fire Department the remarks would not have been made.

Mayor Jones in answer to ex-Mayor Balmat, said that he had taken the figure given him by the bank in making up his report. He deplored the remarks made by Coun. Fawcett. They were unjust and uncalled for, and he would not sit at the council board with such a man.

Coun. Fawcett said he had not made any reference to the work done on the streets, as there was no provision made in the estimates. He said he was not ashamed of anything he had said.

Chairman Dibblee—"We will have no further personal remarks from Coun. Fawcett. There is an old saying that if you give a calf enough rope he will hang himself, and I think you have had enough."

Partlow Watson announced that he would be a candidate at the coming town election. He had no axe to grind. He believed in a change in the system of taxation. He had no personal remarks to make. He could hit out from the shoulder but he always had respect for grey hairs.

Thomas Noddin said that he had attended a similar meeting last year in the opera house. He had heard Coun. Fawcett tell the people that he was going to close up the rum shops, if they did not kill him, and this same man went up to Ottawa with a delegation and they all got drunk. He was in favor of a temperate enforcement of the Scott Act, and he was glad to pay his taxes. He was not looking for civic honors, and hoped the town would get a good council this year.

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### Letter Written by Ward Burpee to William Everett.

In justice to the parties interested, THE DISPATCH considers it fair the following letter and explanation should be published with the understanding that the public has heard the last of this controversy as far as this paper is concerned.

NEEDLES, B. C.  
April 7, 1909.

Dear Cousin Will,—I suppose you are looking for some word from us. Well, we were held at Arrowhead ten days on account of the ice in the narrows, but we landed at the Needles April Fool's day and I must say it was April Fool for certain. When we got here we found a little store, one small four room house, a log horse stable and a back horse. Then just up from the beach you can see the roof of a new house, one room—man and wife, six children. There are one or two German families within two miles with families like this, this is where the school comes from. Well, we went up this wonderful Whatshan Valley that night as far as the Lot 9 and 10 and had to come back before dark. Mr. McAllister arrived here the following Saturday, so on Monday we started two horses on an express waggon to climb the rugged Whatshan. We started on Monday morning about 8 o'clock, took our dinner with us. We managed to get up there and do just a little looking around and eat our dinner at 1 o'clock—of course we had to stop, and wind the horses quite often to get up. It is about three miles up to the Valley from the Needles to your lot, and that is about like climbing the Estabrooks mountain only it is worse. Well, we found where the land was cleared about six inches of snow and where it is not cleared about 14 to 18 inches. How does that strike you old cuff? I think by the first of May the snow may be off. Now about your lot. I should think there is about four or five acres cleared or what they call cleared on it. It is not ploughed and a tough job it will be to plough it. It has quite a nice little cottage on it—two rooms. We sat on the veranda of it and ate our lunch. They had set out about a dozen apple trees and when it got too tough up there for them to stay any longer they left, took the trees with them and set out wild cherry trees instead. Lot five is by all means the best lot with some ploughing done on it. Lot 3 has no clearing done but a little slashing done. We were talking to the man that moved off of your lot and he said the reason was there was a killing frost on the 25th of August and again on the 26th of Sept. How is that Chummy? Don't that sound just like what Currier said? You take notice that in all of his talk he was comparing the Whatshan Valley with Frazier's ranch or Shield's here on the Lake; but there is a big difference between along the Arrow Lake and being up in the Whatshan which is about five hundred feet higher than this lake. The day we were up there it was windy and snow squalls all day, cold enough for a fur coat! We have been here waiting for Mr. Smith and Mr. Trafton, but they have not arrived yet. Potatoes are a good price; we will sell them and send you and Frazier the money so you will not lose on the potatoes if we can help. You just think what a fine thing our potato digger will be here. They all say that you cannot raise anything the first year and very little the second and you must use fertilizer to get it. Now I will tell you there is some good land along the Arrow Lake that can be bought at the same price as the Whatshan. Oh yes, I forgot to tell you what the second class land is like—it is on the side of those benches almost straight up and down, no good at all; the third class is the bold face of the rocks just fine for raising grapes on. Now, Will, I have not written this home. I will if I get time tonight. You can tell Frazier all about it. We did not write it home until Smith and Trafton came, but have not heard from them. We don't know just what we will do. Will let you know later on. Must close.

WARD.

P. S. I have got two letters from Currier since we came here. He wants a good letter for the paper. Perhaps he may see one in the paper some day. There were two fellows arrived here yesterday morning from Koox-ford. If C. comes out here before we get out of here there will be something doing.

W. B.

If Currier comes out here the day for his funeral is all set.

ROY DOW,  
WARD BURPEE,  
HURD BURPEE,  
SADIE BURPEE.

EXPLANATION OF LETTER.—This is the letter produced by William Everett, that Mr. Currier referred to as being too indecent to publish.

Anyone can readily see that the last part of the letter, referred to as being murderous, was merely a joke and was not in my handwriting, but when we left Woodstock last March, Mr. Currier told us that, if the Valley was not all he said it was or even better, we could hang him on a tree. This explains the execution.

WARD W. BURPEE.

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