

CARLETON COUNTY COUNCIL

Votes Campbellton \$1,000.—Ap-
points Delegates to Union of
Municipalities Convention.

At a social meeting held in the Court House last Tuesday night the Carleton County Council voted to grant \$1,000 towards the relief of the Campbellton sufferers. The board took up also the matter of appointing delegates to the Convention of the Union of Municipalities to be held in Woodstock this fall. On the motion of Coun Scott, seconded by Coun Phillips, Warden Stevens appointed the following delegates, one to every 5,000 population: Wm Lamont, Alex Bell, Tompkins and Kinney.

On the motion of Coun Smith it was voted that hotel and railroad expenses be allowed.

The convention will be held in Woodstock, dates to be set by the executive of the Union. Members of the board expressed themselves that that immediately before or directly after the Carleton County Exhibition next month would be the best time to hold the convention.

The decision to aid Campbellton was reached after a lengthy discussion as to the best means of raising the money. Some of the councillors were against making the contribution compulsory as would be in the case of an increased assessment. Others maintained that the increased tax of 17 cents per \$1,000 would be so slight as to be no burden for the poorer ratepayer in the county.

Two propositions, taking the form of amendments to the motion to grant \$1,000 were offered, one by Coun Melville, another by Coun Tracey. The former suggested that instead of taxing poor ratepayers, the members of the board each donate \$10 to take the place of the \$1,000 grant. Coun Tracey suggested that instead of making the grant, each member of the board head a subscription list with a \$5 contribution, and personally solicit other contributions in his vicinity of the county.

These amendments were lost when put to a vote and the original motion made by Coun J Rankin Brown and seconded by Coun G Arthur Gibson that the County grant \$1,000 was carried. The vote was: Yeas—Couns Brown, Gibson, Balmain, Scott, Albert Bell, Alex Bell, Hay, Phillips, Morgan, Keenan, Kinney, King, F R Shaw, Williams and Odbur Shaw. Nays—Couns Tracey, Smith, Lamont, Brittain, Tompkins and Melville.

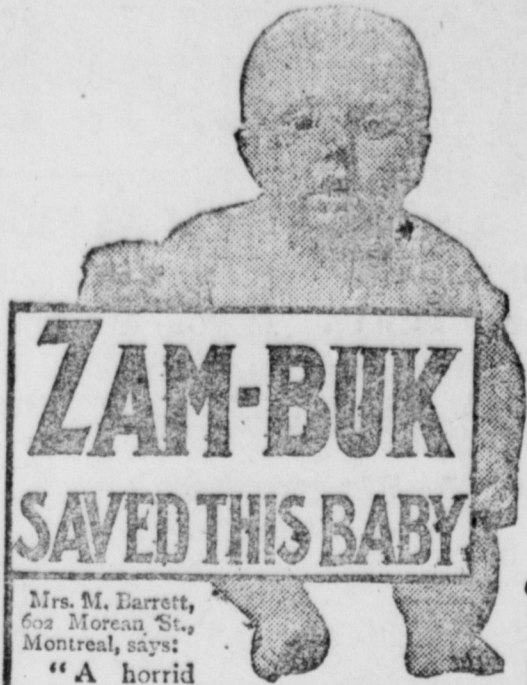
Some stirring speeches were made for and against the motion. Expressions were made that had the motion been made to grant \$500 it would have passed unanimously.

Coun Melville objected strongly. He declared giving away money was unconstitutional.

"We have certain duties to perform here, but we go beyond those in making assessments," he said. "Campbellton has had a disastrous fire, it is true, but I understand that the public at large had already poured in \$70,000 as a relief fund which is quite liberal. The Local Government and the Dominion Government will assist, but these with their large revenues can well afford to do so as Campbellton has paid her share of these revenues. Many of our people can afford to contribute, others cannot. One farmer I know of had his home burned, his crop destroyed and his barn truck by lightning. Such as this man cannot afford to pay the heavier tax that this grant would impose. It is beyond our power to grant according to the Municipal Act. I would offer the amendment that instead of this grant each councillor contribute \$10 to go as a fund."

When Coun Brown asked Secy-treas Hartley what the increased tax would be if the \$1,000 were granted, and was answered that the increased assessment would be about 17 cents per \$1,000, the discussion became more heated.

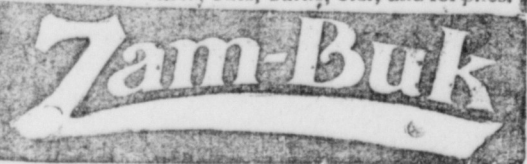
Coun Kinney made an eloquent address in which he appealed to the board to pass the motion to aid suffering humanity. "I am surprised that Coun Melville would be afraid to impose a tax of 17 cents on his constituents for a purpose such as this. We should look at this as Christians and humanitarians. Today our wives and children have a home. They are comfortable and not dependent on the public to clothe and feed them. Suppose (addressing himself to Coun Melville) it were your case, with your children crying to their mother for bread, or your children running about with no home to go to. Don't look at the 17 cents as though it were \$1,000, and fear that the electors would not give you a vote if you passed this measure. If I were sure that Kent would not give me a vote—that everyone were against such a step I would vote for this motion. But I do not fear such a thing. We must take into account the distress and suffering. Though we are comfortable we must not forget suffering Campbellton. Think of the mothers and children going about the streets, barefooted and without shelter, depending on charity for a home. I ask you in Heaven's name not to be so narrow as to give out the impression that the people of Carleton County, the garden of the province, would not contribute 17 cents towards the relief of suffering humanity."



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Coun Kinney's voice was trembling with emotion. He was roundly applauded when he had finished.

Coun Tracey in moving the amendment to the amendment to head a list with \$5 and collect throughout the county said:

"I am in favor of contributing to the relief of Campbellton but there are many not able to. We have no right to compel such ratepayers to contribute. Many in my parish are willing, others are not. Yet we should do something to help Campbellton. I would suggest, therefore, that each councillor head a subscription list with \$5 and solicit contributions in the vicinity of the county in which he lives. I believe that in that way we can raise more money with more satisfaction for everybody than by granting \$1,000 because from a man who is willing to pay we would get but a few cents whereas that same man might give from \$1 to \$5."

Coun Alex Bell declared that going about the county seeking subscriptions was a poor way to raise money and that the councillors would be taking too much on their shoulders. He declared that the members were there to do the business of the county and if their work was not satisfactory the electors had redress in ousting them from office.

Coun Scott declared that the original motion was the best one.

Coun F R Shaw—Coun Melville's motion is all right but we can make that \$250 supplementary to the original motion. Coun Tracey's motion is not feasible and he would not get one-half as much as he could by an indirect assessment. Carleton County farmers are generous but there are many who would say 'I would like to give but I am not in a position to do so today. It would mean that we would have to go over the same ground several times. The original motion would be an indirect tax, so slight that if it were not known that we were to have held this meeting it is evening that farmers would never know of the assessment and would not feel the extra tax. We can vote for Coun Melville's motion as well as the original one.

In answer to a question Secy-treas Hartley said: "The Municipality cannot legally vote this money for such a purpose legally, yet they have done it many times in the 21 years that I have been clerk and the people have said nothing."

Coun Melville here declared that he was afraid that voting the money would be establishing a bad precedence that predecessors at the board had never voted money and that the present board were no better than their predecessors.

Coun Phillips—In times of trouble such as a fire, neighbors think it their duty to do all they can to help out the unfortunate. It may be hard on some maybe, yet they do it. I am in favor of the motion as the people will expect us to and think it small if we do not vote this money.

Coun Balmain—I am very much in sympathy with the original motion. It is little enough for a county like Carleton to give. Everyone knows that the conditions in Campbellton are simply terrible. This move of ours would be like casting bread upon the waters. Carleton County will lose nothing.

The legal aspect does not amount to a hill of beans; it should not have been brought into the discussion at all. The humanitarian aspect should be looked at. It is not a worthy stand that some of the councillors have taken here tonight. If the original

motion is carried, there is nothing to prevent Councillors Melville and Tracey putting their scheme into operation. Campbellton will be highly pleased.

Coun Tracey—I did not mean to go all over the parish. I made the motion so as to give some a chance to give all they wished to. I thought my scheme would result in more money being raised than by the councillors each giving \$10.

Coun Tompkins—I am not in favor of the original motion nor the amendments. Subscription goes good in Peel and we can raise \$100 there which would be our proportionate share. I was going to suggest voting \$500. I would like to vote \$1,000 but we are under great expense. We can add our \$10 to the \$500 grant.

Coun Smith—I would like it if Coun Brown had made the motion granting \$500. It is generally spoken that we could afford that much. The ratepayers of the Parish of Woodstock are against giving anything. I feel like voting for the amendment to the amendment, that of giving \$5 and taking around a subscription paper.

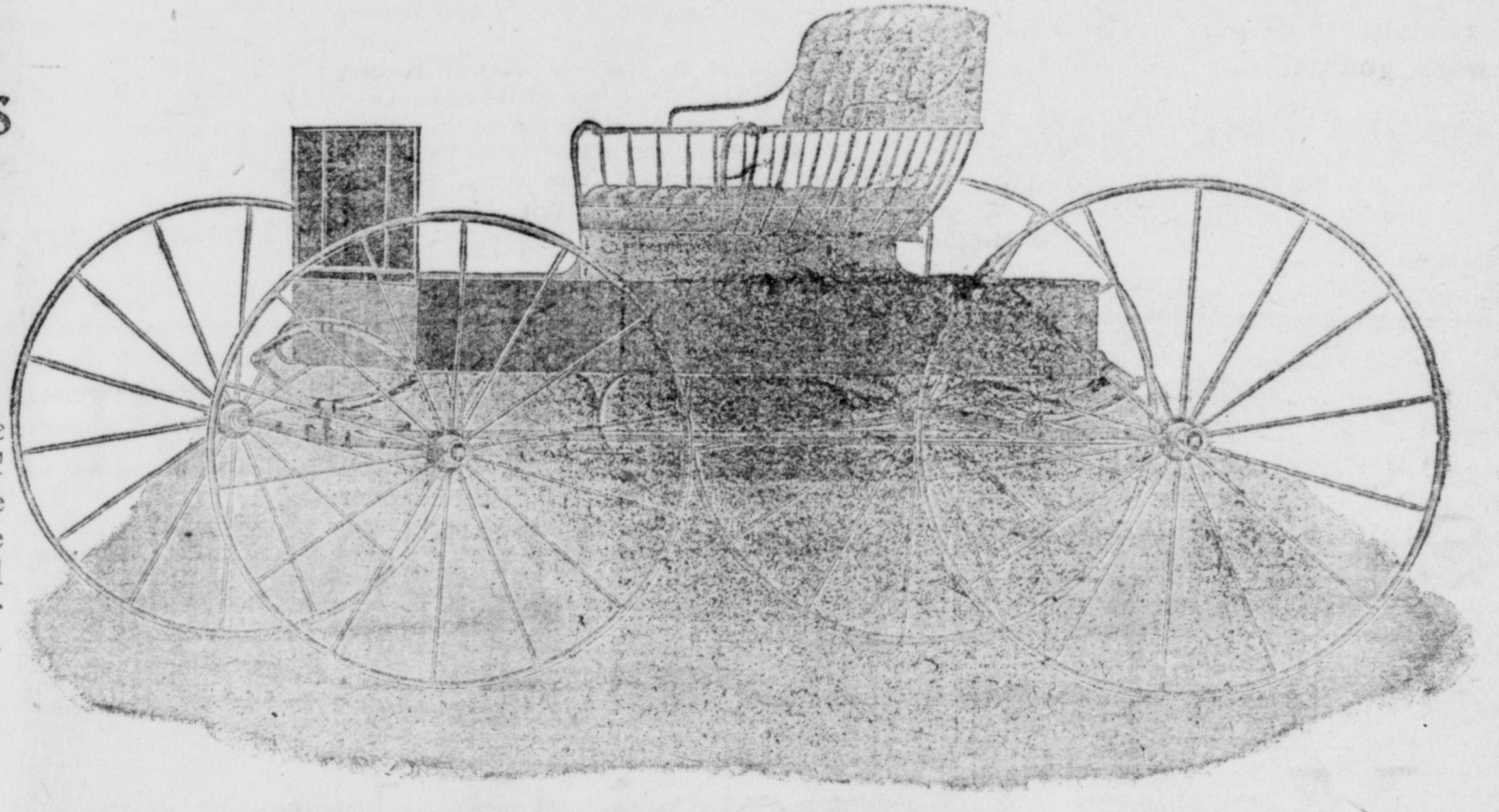
Coun King—Wilmot is willing to be taxed on some amount so I am willing to take the responsibility of taxing Wilmot their share. Not one out of five would be against it. In fact I have heard nothing against it. Coun Melville has no right to say what the council shall do neither am I willing to head a paper with \$500 and carry it around yet I am willing to do what I can.

Coun Brittain—I would rather that the motion had been made for \$500 and passed unanimously. We are under heavy expense. If Campbellton has a rough winter we can give more at our next session. There are many in Brighton who cannot pay more taxes than they are paying now. Some of our people won't have a quarter crop and for that reason we should not go higher than \$500.

Coun Williams—I agree with the different councillors on the different motions in some respects. I always opposed extravagance or

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giving away the people's money yet I hoped that Coun Brown's motion might pass unanimously. I would have suggested \$750 and again I agree with Coun Melville as I do Coun Kinney in regard to suffering humanity. Many Wilmot people say to give \$1,000. I am in favor of it. They would not turn me down for voting for this motion. If they do I am willing to stay at home. I would pay the \$10 too.

Coun Lamont—I understand that the County is being pretty thoroughly canvassed with subscription lists. The different churches have taken the matter up, yet not as a church affair. I am afraid of the precedence we would establish. Bonuses have been given many times yet outside of the Carleton County Hospital we have received no benefit. I would approve of giving Campbellton a chance to help themselves. There is lots of work and it would be a good thing for Campbellton if many of the people there were forced to move away. Again I have read that the money contributed is not spent judiciously. If the motion had been for \$500 I would have supported it. In January we can give them more if they need it.

Coun Morgan—I am not in favor of Coun Tracey's suggestion. It was put to sidetrack the original motion and would mean that we would have to go about the county many times. Let us make a respectable gift. If we cannot give \$1,000 let us give nothing. The \$1,000 grant would mean \$90 raised in Brighton I will give the original motion my hearty support.

The amendments and the motion were then put to vote. The amendments were lost and the motion carried by a vote of 15 to 6.

Warden Stevens—We are entitled to \$2 each for our time here this evening as well as our expenses. I think it would be a good

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delegates was carried. Just when the convention will be held rests with the executive of the Union. An expression was made that around exhibit on time September 21, 22 and 23 would be the best time.

The council then adjourned.

The Prince Regent of China, by an imperial decree, has made English the official language in all Chinese schools of the "modern learning." This does not mean that English will become the language of the people, but it makes more certain the spread of English and American influence in China, where English is more widely used at present than any other foreign tongue. Even now it is not uncommon to hear two Chinamen from different provinces using English as a medium of conversation; for though the written language is alike throughout China the speech differs widely.

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