

NEW COUNTY COUNCIL

(Concluded from last week.)

Business resumed Wednesday after-

noon. COUN MORGAN moved, seconded by COUN TRACY, that a committee of five be appointed to meet with the Sec-Treas, in relation to salaries of county officials.

COUN MORGAN, ALBERT BELL and COUN THOMPSON were appointed.

COUN TRACY asked for an extension of time to report on Scott Act report. Granted until tomorrow morning.

COUN BELL reported that Sec-Treas had two bondsmen—one has died, and two will be provided satisfactory to the board. Report received.

COUN MELVILLE felt that better furniture and improvements should be provided for the judge's room. It will cost a lot of money to fix up as required.

COUN MORGAN moved, seconded by COUN COLWELL, that matter be left to discretion of Building Committee.

Mr W W Melville on motion was heard. The Carleton County Rifle Association requested him to ask a grant from the county. Would like to have \$50, to be administered for the benefit of the new shots. The money is needed. It is not fair to hold up politicians for funds. We give a lot of our time and can assure you the money will be well spent.

COUN TRACY—Rifle shooting should be encouraged and must be learned at home—not time in camp. It is for the young men and they should be encouraged. I am in favor of the grant.

WARDEN suggested that matter lay over till tomorrow morning when COUN CARVELL would be present.

COUN BELL moved, seconded by COUN ANDERSON, that matter lay over till Monday.

COUN BRITTON reported for committee on accounts.

Council went into committee of the whole with Warden in chair to consider accounts.

The following bills and accounts were disposed of:

- J R Tompkins, \$121.40, ordered paid.
- Press Pub Co, \$25.75, ordered paid.
- J R Tompkins, \$80.00, ordered paid when attested to.
- J A Lindsay, \$14.40, ordered paid.
- J A Lindsay, \$19.90 reduced \$17.90, ordered paid.
- J VanWart & Son, \$8.05, Ref to Bldg Com.
- T F Sprague, M D, \$7.00, ordered paid.
- John Barnet, \$3.70, ordered paid.
- Samuel White, \$8.40, ordered paid.
- J W Woolverton, \$31.00 reduced \$26.50, ordered paid.
- J C Hartley, \$67.00, ordered paid when attested.
- Dr M E Commins, \$13.50, reduced \$12.30, ordered paid when attested.

Dr T H Somerville, \$3.00, Ref to Parish Kent.

Robt Aird, \$7.00, ordered paid and charged to Parish Kent.

Carleton (Sentinel Pub Co, \$10.00 ordered paid at \$8.00.

Stevens Bros, \$1.50, ordered paid.

W P Jones, \$34.0, Ref Scott Act Com.

Wm Armstrong, \$6.00, ordered paid.

A D Holyoke, \$265.00, Ref Scott Act Com.

Dr I B Curtis \$11.00, ordered paid.

Owen Kelly, \$11.75, ordered paid.

R E Holyoke, \$3.80, ordered paid.

John Ryan, \$29.30, ordered paid.

Archibald Scott, \$5.00, ordered paid.

The Dispatch, \$9.00, ordered paid.

Auditor A N Vince reported as follows and on motion report was adopted:

Mr Warden and Gentlemen:

As instructed, I examined the vouchers in the Secretary-Treasurer's hands, and find that of the item \$1107.41 mentioned in my report, as cash in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer, the sum of \$1071.91, has been properly expended.

Dated this 21st day of Jan 1914.

Respectfully submitted,

A N VINCE, Auditor.

COUN MORGAN moved, seconded by COUN BRITTON, that \$38.00 be charged to Parish of Brighton for election expenses and paid to Thos Simms.

COUN STEVENS moved, seconded by COUN BRITTON, that 25 copies of the Sec'y-Treas and Auditor's report be furnished for the convenience of the council. Carried.

COUN MELVILLE moved, seconded by COUN HUNTER, that election expenses be paid:

- Stanley Hatfield \$2.00
- Eliza Harmon, room 2.00
- W W M-Aville, poll clerk 2.00
- Alonso McDonald, constable 2.00

to be paid Stanley Hatfield, \$8.00

COUN THOMPSON moved, seconded by COUN GALLAGHER, that \$12.00 be paid D B Secord—election expenses.

The following election bills were passed and ordered paid:

L A W Hunter, Peel, \$10.00.

Parish Clerk, Wakefield, \$5.00.

Parish Clerk, Woodstock, \$9.00.

Parish Clerk (2 years), Wicklow, \$9.00.

District Clerk I, Hiram Biggar, D C, Aberdeen, \$7.00, and \$8.00 John McIntosh, P C.

Parish Clerk, Wilmot, \$2.00.

Parish Clerk, Northampton, \$5.00.

D Purrington charged to Parish of Richmond, \$2.00.

E Porter, charged to Parish of Woodstock, \$2.00.

Moved by COUN LAMONT, seconded by COUN HEMPHILL, that six dollars be paid to advertise the non-resident tax unpaid in Aberdeen in a county newspaper, and \$13 for the same purpose in the Royal Gazette to be paid Collector Lindsay and charged to Aber-

deen.

COUN FLEMING moved, seconded by COUN THOMPSON, that sufficient number of copies of proceedings of council be printed in pamphlet form for distribution.

COUN LAMONT—Quite a bill for printing and I will have to vote against it.

COUN STEVENS—It is a waste of money; the town's experience along these lines has not been satisfactory. Newspaper records are all right.

COUN ALEX BELL thought it advisable to try the pamphlets.

COUN MELVILLE—If expense could be lessened it might be better. Nothing has been advanced to show it would be cheaper.

COUN BRITTON—One advantage pamphlet form is all together and not carried over three or four weeks.

COUN MELVILLE moved, seconded by COUN ANDERSON, that matter be referred to mover and seconder to put in shape for next year. Carried.

The appointments of parish officers for different parishes were on motion confirmed.

The following amounts, totaling \$6,300, were assessed for poor purposes:

- Brighton \$400, pd ord Councillors
- Peel \$300, " "
- Wakefield \$830, " "
- Par Woodstock \$1000, " "
- Kent \$1400, " "
- Wilmot \$200, " "
- Wicklow \$700, paid chairman O P.
- Northampton \$700.
- Richmond \$750, paid O P.
- Aberdeen \$50, paid O P.

COUN MORGAN read returns of Geo E Tedie, supervisor, amount of \$198.

COUN BRITTON moved, seconded by COUN MORGAN, that this bill be laid over till June.

COUN THOMPSON said it was costing the parish of Kent too much to look after its poor; he would like the council to suggest some remedy.

The Warden said this was purely a parish matter.

COUN GALLAGHER (Kent)—It is in better shape now and in future will no doubt be more satisfactory.

COUN BRITTON moved, seconded by COUN MORGAN, that \$150 be assessed and charged to Parish of Brighton for breaking winter roads and paid over to supervisor. Carried.

COUN THOMPSON moved, seconded by COUN GALLAGHER, that \$70 be assessed Parish of Kent for road damages, to be paid commissioners by order of the councillors. Carried.

Moved by COUN TRACY that \$20 be assessed in Parish of Wicklow for road damages. Carried. To be paid order of councillors.

COUN BRITTON—Have we any right to fix the standard of the width of sleds? Sleds are getting so narrow that horses crowd—horses are bigger now and need more room.

Warden Phillips—This is a govern-

ment matter and I don't think this council can deal with it.

COUN MOXON moved, seconded by COUN COLWELL, that \$75 be assessed Parish Woodstock for winter roads and paid over to commissioners on order of the councillors. Carried.

Moved by COUN ALBERT BELL, seconded by COUN KEARNEY, that revisors fees be same as last year.

COUN LAMONT had been told there is considerable dissatisfaction over the \$300 voted for the ambulance and that some trustees would not have anything to do with any extra expense incurred by the ambulance.

Sec-Treas—I am one of the trustees and never heard any complaint.

COUN COLWELL—I made the motion and was seconded by COUN GIBSON. I am willing to move that the matter be reconsidered.

COUN STEVENS—As a matter of fairness the clergymen and trustees should be present. Street rumors should not be a guide.

COUN MELVILLE was in favor of reopening the matter.

The motion to re-open was lost. Couns Melville, Lamont, Tracey, Britton, Alex Bell voted yea; balance of councillors voted nay.

COUN BELL moved, seconded by COUN COLWELL, that assessors and collectors fees be same as last year. Carried.

COUN LAMONT moved, seconded by COUN HEMPHILL, that the collector of Aberdeen be paid the sum of \$50 as a slight recompense for extra work on defaulters list 1902-14 and charged to Parish of Aberdeen. Carried.

COUN FLEMING moved, seconded by COUN BELL (Richmond) 1908 9-10 delinquent list for parish of Richmond be struck off.

COUN GALLAGHER moved, seconded by COUN THOMPSON, that \$8 be paid John W Cronin for room rent, for assessors, year 1912. Carried.

COUN A G BELL—To what extent are persons over 60 years of age exempt from taxes.

Sec-Treas—Exempt on poll taxes for school and road purposes—nothing else.

Council adjourned to meet Thursday at 10 o'clock sharp.

COUN BRITTON moved, seconded by COUN FLEMING, that the bye-law 28 be changed to read \$3 instead \$2 to take effect Jan 1st, 1914.

COUN BRITTON thought it was time this Council made some move in the case of the aged and those who cannot help themselves. Other places have farms, devoted to this purpose, that are boarding patients at 80c a week. We have 45 poor in this county that are costing \$2.50 a week each, and more in some cases. It is going higher—this year \$1500 more for poor than last. The expense is growing. I think we can reduce it to a much lower figure. I don't approve of the way we are keeping our poor. Many through no fault of their own are poor, and deserve our sympathy. The devil's poor, so called, bringing the trouble on themselves. We should extend our sympathy and raise their morals by pleasant surroundings. I believe we should have a farm to take care of all our poor.

I would move, seconded by COUN STEVENS, that a committee of three be appointed with the warden to report and gather all the information they can about the matter of poor farms, the management of same, the location and cost of starting one and report at June session.

COUNS FLEMING, BRITTON and KEARNEY were appointed such committee.

COUN MORGAN—Your committee waited upon Sec-Treas in relation to salaries of county officers, and I would move that Sec-Treas be heard.

Sec-Treas felt that his salary was not in accordance with work entailed upon him. Salary was established long ago. The bye-law is same as in the 70s making salary \$300.00. He was satisfied \$1.00 a year ago was worth more than it is today. I employ help and it costs more and this is one reason. Secondly the salary of the Sec'y-Treas. of Carleton is, with three exceptions, the smallest salary of any county in the province.

In this County salary is \$300.00. No office and I pay rent, light and heat. In nearly every case no Sec'y-Treas. has the responsibility I have. I keep a complete set of books, so that you can at any time look up any matters you require. Last year I issued some 602 checks besides paying cash. Taking counties in province, in comparison to this County, the Sec'y-Treas gets from \$600 to \$900 a year. The salary paid of \$300 is not sufficient for the work that is done, and I think there should be an increase, no matter who holds the office.

COUN BRITTON—What are salaries of Sec'y-Treas of Charlotte and Gloucester counties?

Sec'y-Treas—Charlotte pays \$600 and Gloucester \$900. York pays \$1500, with an assessment of 1-5 more than ours. COUN MORGAN said COUN BELL and himself would recommend that salary be \$500. Moved by COUN MORGAN, seconded by COUN BELL (Wakefield), that \$500 be paid Sec'y-Treas, salary. COUN BURTT moved the officers of Woodstock be confirmed. Bill of \$4.25 Observer, was ordered paid.

The bill of J Woolverton was, on motion, again read.

COUN MORGAN moved, seconded by COUN MOXON, that bill be paid as recommended, \$4.20 off.

COUN MELVILLE moved amendment, seconded by COUN GALLAGHER (Kent) that bill be paid less \$7.50.

COUN PERRY could not understand how the Constable could charge mileage and team hire.

COUN SIEVERS—In reference to arrest of one Martel—it was represented that the case was serious, and in interests of Justice the officers went by team, instead of by rail. Martel was represented as a vicious man, but when they arrived they found matters not as represented. They went to room and found the man locked in and he did not open door. It would seem they were justified in taking measures they did. The bill should be paid.

COUN MELVILLE—We should not pay extra costs on fictitious cases.

COUN GIBSON—The committee has made a recommendation and their work should be approved. Mr Woolverton did his duty and should be paid.

COUN GALLAGHER (Kent)—Mr Martel is not a desperado and Mr Woolverton could have made the arrest alone and not added unnecessary expense. I feel justified in having bill cut down.

COUN STEVENS—Martel was locked in and would not respond to knocks, etc. COUN MORGAN said the committee dealt with matter fairly. COUN MELVILLE condemns an officer and gives to other man a certificate of character. COUN GIBSON—I always heard of Martel as being a bluffer and Mr Woolverton took precautions. The amendment was lost. Motion that the bill be paid less \$4.20 was carried.

COUN MORGAN moved, seconded by COUN LAMONT, that \$50.00 be given Rifle Association to be expended under the direction of Couns Tracy, Carvell and Auditor Vince.

COUN CARVELL—The grant meets with my approval as it encourages the young men. I am much in favor of it.

COUN STEVENS—I hardly approve of establishing what may be a dangerous precedent, perhaps we may be called upon to contribute to baseball, cricket, etc. The old shots are to be ruled out and the sport left to recruits. Let the old shots who won so much money make a fund.

COUN CARVELL—Who intimated that I was a good shot? I have yet to win my first prize.

COUN GIBSON—In our part of the county it would be more commendable to make an appropriation to young men to keep their rifles home.

Vote stood—(yeas) Morgan, Britton, Lamont, Fleming, Carvell, Colwell, Tracy, Gallagher, Anderson, Bell, Gallagher, (11).

Against—(nays) Stevens, Burtt, Gibson, Bell (Richmond), Hunter, Melville, Perry, Estey, Shaw, Hemphill, Kearney, Thompson, (12).

COUN MELVILLE—The disposition of this council is to put our money out entirely different from former councils. Woodstock, N B. Jan 22nd, 1914. To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Carleton:— We, your committee, appointed to examine the Scott Act Inspector's Accounts, beg leave to report: (Concluded on page 7.)

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