

Table with financial data: coming year they ask an assessment of \$1400, as per estimate: To pay debts due \$500.00, House men 120.00, Road repairs 700.00, For forks 200.00, Hauling, etc. 200.00, Incidental 230.00. Less on hand \$26.00, Road Tax 774.00, Total \$1,400.00.

For the Board, Thos. Crimmin, Secy. Chatham, 20 Jan. 1890.

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Nelson parish accounts and returns were passed, as follows: Alex. Harper, Com. roads. John Sullivan, " Highways—defaulters 9.90, to be put in hands of collecting justice. John Hudson, Com. Highways. John Sullivan, By-road Com. Peter O'Neil, Col. rates. Thos. Lynch, do. do. Peter O'Neil, road tax collector. Returns of Geo. Burchill, of summary convictions—vouchers to be furnished for amount paid receiver general. Returns of do. col. justice dist. No. 1. do. do. do. do. No. 2. do. do. do. do. road dist. No. 1. Michael O'Shea, receipt for money received from Secy. Treas. Ordered that he furnish vouchers for expenditures at July session. Ludlow accounts and returns were passed as follows: Christopher Whelan, By-road Com. John S. Pond, col. justice—54c. to be paid Secy. Treas. Ambrose Pond, col. rates. Returns of John S. Pond, col. justice. Wm. T. Brown, Com. Highways. Two surveys, John McNamee and James S. Fairly have not made returns. Ordered that they do so in July.

List of Parish and County officers for Ludlow were read by Coun. Fairly and passed. Derby accounts and returns were passed as follows: Roads, in acct. with Secy. Treas., \$2 to credit, to be paid over to Com. No. 2 district. Christopher Crocker, collecting justice. Levi G.rrah, By-road com. Hugh Parker, Com. By-roads, \$3.78, to be paid to successor in office. Ephraim Betts, col. rates. Malcolm Amos, Com. Highways—vouchers to be furnished at July session. John J. Miller, Com. Highways. Ordered that Com. Wm. Cliff make returns to July session.

Blisfield accounts and returns were passed as follows: R. D. Robinson, col. rates. Guy Alexander, Com. Highways. Michael Haines, By-road Com. Saml D. Betts, do. do. R. Bert Arbo, do. do. Robert Swin, Com. Highways, \$6.20 in Secy. Treas. hands and 74c. in commissioner's hands to be paid over to successor of com. in office. Blisfield Parish and County officers were read by Coun. Swin and passed. Adjourned until 10 a. m. to-morrow.

FRIDAY'S PROCEEDINGS. Coun. re-assembled at 10 a. m. Minutes of yesterday's proceeding were read and confirmed. Blackville parish accounts and returns were passed as follows on motion of Coun. Hayes: James Weaver, By-road com. Maurice Hayes, " " W. T. Underhill, " " Michael Hayes, collecting justice. Jas. W. Weaver, col. rates, correct less \$2.55 to be paid over to Secy. Treas. W. M. Underhill, col. rates. Matthew Kehoe, " correct less \$2.45, to be paid over to Secy. Treas. Wm. Hogan, com. Highways—several surveys returns not filed—to his over until July.

W. M. Underhill, do. do. Coun. Kerr moved that W. S. Brown be appointed Inspector under the Canada Temperance Act at a salary of \$500. He said he moved for the appointment of Mr. Brown in deference to the wishes of the temperance people, he being the unanimous recommendation of the leading temperance organization of the County and of almost all the other temperance people. Whatever might be the private views of members in regard to the appointment he thought all would agree that the temperance people, who had done a good deal of work in carrying out the Act ought to have their recommendations in this matter considered. It was better to appoint the man of their choice and give them every chance for a year and, then, if the law was not enforced let the other party try their method for dealing with the evils complained of. When he went around with petitions to bring the law into operation he found that there was a general public feeling in his favor, and the desire to enforce it was strong. He and others contended the law had not yet had a fair chance and there was now an opportunity to satisfy the claims of the temperance people, which were only reasonable. The Council had a great responsibility in the matter and he hoped it would do its duty by passing his resolution. Coun. Campbell said he was quite willing to support the motion for an inspector, but not in favor of appointing the person recommended. He could now see the point of Coun. Kerr's opposition to his proposed rule for two hours notice of motions involving charges on the County funds. This motion was made when there was not a full Council and it was to be rushed through.

Coun. Morrison seconded Coun. Kerr's motion and suggested that it be amended so as to provide that the \$500 cover all the Inspector's personal expenses. The motion was amended accordingly and so passed unanimously. Coun. Kerr said he thanked the Council from the bottom of his heart for its unanimous vote. Official Reporter:—The Council did precisely the same thing three years ago. On motion of Coun. Morrison, ordered that an assessment of \$500 be made on

the County to pay the Inspector's salary. Returns of Wm. B. Stewart, collecting justice, Alwrick, was passed on motion of Coun. Anderson. Rogersville accounts and returns were passed as follows: Hypollite J. Bark, By-road Com. Philip Arsenau, " " M. Maillet, " " Wilfrid Cormier, Com. Highways. J. D. Gaudet, " " ordered that he make full return at July session.

Geo. Jardine, J. P. ordered as above, return not being according to law. Geo. Jardine, J. P. ordered accounts pass, less \$5.00 overcharge. Rogersville parish and county officers' list was read by Coun. Legere and passed. On motion of Coun. Coleman \$1400 was ordered to be assessed on Chatham for police purposes. Coun. Coleman, moved to repeal present by-law relating to Police Committee in Chatham, and for a new by-law authorizing the appointment of a third member of said committee.

Coun. Coleman explained the desirability of having a committee of three, instead of only two, as at present, which, sometimes, led to a dead-lock in the administration of police affairs. Passed. Coun. Savoy moved that \$1.50 each be paid to Isiah Savoy, Wm. Stewart, Prudent Russell and Thos. Hickey, as chairmen at the Municipal election in Alwrick. Passed. Coun. Savoy moved that \$30 be voted by Council to pay for reporting proceedings in French. Coun. Morrison objected, as he believed the French people could read the reports in English. The work was not satisfactorily done before. Coun. Savoy said the majority of the French people in Rogersville can read English. The former reports gave satisfaction. Ex-Coun. Smith being referred to on the subject, explained that the sum first granted was not expended, as it was found to be insufficient but an addition of \$10 was made to it, and thirty dollars in all were expended last year, the report appearing in a French paper. He understood it gave great satisfaction to the French people. Although it was not prepared as carefully as it ought to have been, because of undue haste of one member of the committee who took the matter all in his own hands, the Council considered this expenditure only a matter of justice to the French people and he thought the grant well expended.

Coun. Adams favored the grant, as it was only right that such evidence of good will should be shown those who wished to see the reports in their own language. Coun. Morrison said his objections were not so strong after learning that the expenditure had secured satisfactory results. The motion of Coun. Savoy passed. Adjourned until 1 o'clock for committee work. Council reassembled at 1 o'clock and adjourned until 2 p. m. Council reassembled at 2 p. m. Coun. Betts on the committee on Alms House accounts reported them correct. The committee recommended that in case of the death of any paper the commissioners use all diligence in informing relatives as promptly as possible. The committee recommended the following apportionment of Alms House assessment for the current year.

Chatham, \$75.00 Newcastle, 475.00 Nelson, 100.00 Northesk, 125.00 Southesk, 30.00 Gienel, 125.00 Hardwick, 150.00 Derby, 100.00 Blackville, 150.00 Blisfield, 100.00 Ludlow, 25.00 Rogersville, 150.00 Alwrick, 200.00

Coun. Kerr explained that Rogersville's assessment seemed large, but it was because the collector of that parish had made no return for last year and the committee had been obliged to make the amount for this year large enough to cover all possible demands, and if it turned out to be more than the parish should fairly pay due credit would be given for the surplus next year. Coun. Bransfield moved that Hardwick's assessment be reduced to \$100, because of the pauper, Margaret McLaughlin, whose case has not been fully discussed at previous councils, not being properly charged to that parish. He said the commissioners had admitted that this person did not belong to Hardwick, and the Commissioner for Alwrick, Mr. Simpson, had been instructed to obtain proof that she was not chargeable to his parish, but he had failed to do so. It seemed that she belonged to neither Alwrick nor Hardwick and, in the end, would be a county charge. In the meantime, it was unfair that Hardwick should be assessed for an extra \$50 which should be refunded to that parish. Coun. Hayes said the matter ought to be properly investigated, as councillors were here to prevent unnecessary taxation on their parishes and he would object to Blackville being unfairly made to pay any share of this charge.

Coun. Bransfield said the woman should be taken before a magistrate and obliged to disclose all the facts necessary to determine the matter. The fact was, however, that so long as Hardwick was allowed by the Council to be saddled with this assessment the commissioners would leave the question in its present unsatisfactory position. They had admitted the injustice done to Hardwick but neglected to take the proper steps to relieve the parish of an unjust charge. Coun. Kerr said if Coun. Bransfield would only procure from the commissioners and submit to the committee or Council the record of what he stated—and which he, Kerr, had no reason to doubt—they would have something on which to take action, but, as the matter stood, the assessment must continue to be as recom. mended. Coun. Swin agreed with Coun. Kerr's view of the matter. Coun. Betts said the apportionment must stand as recommended until proper evidence to justify a change was submitted. Coun. Savoy had no doubt that Hardwick would be justly dealt with when the commissioners obtained the information they were seeking.

Coun. Bransfield contended that the investigation being unnecessarily kept open to the loss of Hardwick. Two years was too long a time for such a matter to be undecided. Coun. Morrison advised that the apportionment stand as recommended, for Hardwick would receive due credit another year for any overcharge. Coun. Coleman argued that it was the duty of the commissioners to furnish proof to the Council that the pauper in question was not properly chargeable to Hardwick and so long as that was not

done the apportionment must stand as it follows:— Coun. Bransfield said the Commissioners were quite satisfied that Hardwick was improperly charged with the pauper, but they had not yet decided which of the other parishes should assume the liability. The Warden said it seemed to him that the Council could not alter the assessment without some authoritative statement from the commissioners. The report was now adopted as read. On motion of Coun. Savoy ordered that balance of \$1.50 in hands of Secy. Treas. be paid over to the Commissioner of Highways for district No. 2, Alwrick. On motion of Coun. Kerr ordered that the performance of the duties of the Inspector appointed by Council for the enforcement of the Canada Temperance Act begin on February 1st, but that this order shall not be taken to interfere with any prosecution that may be pending at the present time. Coun. Morrison read returns of J. R. Lawlor, Col. rates, Up. dist. Newcastle. Passed. Account of John A. Goodfellow, Southesk, \$1.50. Passed. Following County accounts were passed: Board of Timothy Buckley at jail, \$32.50. Gaol committee account \$652.47. D. G. Smith \$17.65 for Co. printing. Return Scott Act fines by Police magistrate Robert Murray \$15.05. School fund account, showing \$3,521.04 on hand. County contingent fund, on hand, \$337.95. County Alms House fund, on hand, \$1,425.97. Coun. Morrison presented petition of John Ferguson who is interested in the Newcastle wool, exciser etc. factory, asking 10 years exemption from taxation. Referred to Com. on petitions. On motion of Coun. Betts Coun. Poirier and Savoy and Mr. D. G. Smith were appointed a Committee on publishing French reports of Council. Parish and County officers list for Blackville was read by Coun. Hayes and passed. On motion of Coun. Coleman, seconded by Coun. Kerr, John Haviland, R. A. Lawlor and Macdougall Snowball, were appointed Chatham Public Square committees. Wm. Kerr, John Coleman and Robert Murray, Jr., were appointed Police Committee for Chatham. Coun. Adams, from the committee on petitions reported as follows:— Petition of Jas. Yeoman—referred to assessors of Newcastle to report at July session. Petition of Thos. W. Flett—no action as a special act of Legislature would be required to enable petitioner's prayer to be granted. Petition of Thomas Barnett—same recommendation as in petition of Jas. Yeoman. Ordered that the above recommendations be adopted. Petition of T. F. Gillespie and others—recommended that the leasing of the wharf in question be open to public competition. Coun. Morrison said the lessees would have a right to have their lease extended at such rental as Council might fix, and that it hardly seemed fair to them to deal with the matter as recommended. The Secretary-Treasurer read the lease, which shows that there is no covenant for renewal. Coun. Morrison suggested that the matter lie over until July session, and that a special committee be appointed to get information on the subject and report at July session. Coun. Kerr favored Coun. Morrison's suggestion. Coun. Morrison moved his suggestion as an amendment to the committee's report which was carried and the committee was named as follows:— Coun. Kerr, Coleman and Morrison. On motion of Coun. Adams, Protectionville was set off as a fourth polling district in Northesk, Coun. Adams explaining the inconvenience to be obviated thereby. Coun. Burchill submitted Nelson accounts and returns which passed, as follows:— Return of A. A. M. Saunders, J. P. showing \$8.64 in his hands. Ordered it be paid to surveyor of district No. 1, Highway division No. 2. Nelson Pound account, showing \$2 in hands of Secretary-Treasurer. Ordered it remain to be expended in Pound repairs when necessary. Alwrick parish and county officers list was read by Coun. Anderson and passed. County Account of H. Frey, \$3.90, for chair for Registry office was passed. Coun. Morrison read petition of C. E. Fish of Newcastle, claiming reduction of poor and county rates and taxes levied upon him, on account of an over-valuation of his quarry property. Referred to Com. on petitions. On motion of Coun. Betts E. P. Willis was re-appointed auditor for the present year. Southesk Parish's returns and accounts were read by Coun. Sutherland and passed as follows:— Wm. Taylor, by-road com. James Parks, do. do. John Murphy, do. do. James Lawlor, Col. Rates. James Parks, Com. Highways. John Murphy, do. do. Wm. Taylor, do. do. Fred Jones, Col. Rates. James Lawlor, col. road taxes. List of Parish and County officers for Southesk was read by Coun. Sutherland and passed. Coun. Legere moved account of Augustine Richard, Parish Clerk, Rogersville, \$6—passed. Also Rogersville road account, showing \$8.62 on hand, ordered it be paid over to Coun. of Division No. 1. 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