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Miramichi Advance. CHATHAM, N. B., FEBRUARY 17, 1898. The Police Magistracy and Scott Act Administration.

There is quite a commotion in a small way in Chatham over the action of its Council in refusing to recommend Mr. S. U. McCulley for the Police Magistracy of the Town.

A question arose under the law as to the disposal of the fines collected by Mr. McCulley as acting Police Magistrate. It was claimed by the Town Council that these fines should go to the Town Treasurer.

It will, therefore, be observed to use a trite phrase—that Mr. McCulley treated the Town Council, which has heretofore paid his salary, with "silent contempt."

It must be apparent to all that a reform in the administration of the Scott Act is needed. It has been proved from the records before the Municipal Council that Messrs. Murray and Menzies have long utilised it as a means of securing revenue for themselves.

When the Town Council failed in its duty in this regard, Messrs. Murray and Menzies realised that if the Town Council had control of the Scott Act fund resulting from cases arising within the Town, there would be less money for the lawyer and more for the policeman and police magistrate.

The natural assumption of the Town Council could not, therefore, be otherwise than that Mr. McCulley was hardly a suitable man to occupy the position of Police Magistrate of Chatham.

It ought to be clear to all that the situation required the Town Council to act as it did in endeavoring to secure the appointment of a police magistrate other than Mr. McCulley.

Unfortunately for Mr. McCulley he is, as Commissioner Gilbert reported, too much under the influence of Messrs. Murray and Menzies, and it is to his weakness in that respect that the position in which he now finds himself is largely due.

from depended on his standing in and by them in all things. It was a part of the understanding, no doubt, that as long as he stood by them he would get the trial of all cases in the County brought by Mr. Menzies, just as it is proved that Mr. Murray gets at least five dollars each for every case, whether he sees a paper connected with it or even hears of the case until after it is settled.

Perhaps the commissioner's finding, "that Mr. Murray and Mr. Menzies have unconsciously too much influence over him" may account for Mr. McCulley's errors, but whatever they may be attributed to, it is clear that he has not been the infallible magistrate his friends claim him to be.

"Complaint was made during the investigation that parties living in Newcastle, who were charged with violating the Canada Temperance Act, were brought for trial before Mr. McCulley."

It is a creditable representative. Whether the reader may or may not agree in political matters generally with our leading representative in the legislature—Hon. Provincial Secretary Tweedie—a perusal of that gentleman's speech in reply to Dr. Stockton's attack on his management of the proposed bond sale, will command both his attention and admiration.

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therefrom, now necessary in furnishing bread for their own tables. Mr. Stockton—Strongly entertain the opinion that butter of the best quality can be profitably manufactured within the province during the winter season through the agency of a dairy school.

Public attention has been more and more attracted by the advantages of New Brunswick as an inviting spot for a permanent settlement in the early days of the session of the Eastern Extension Railway claims of the Province against the Dominion Government was expressed.

Mr. M. McDade is again official reporter and he is assisted by Mr. Frank Ritten. Mr. Davidson, who was to have seconded the address was detained at home until Friday.

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ton payable for these bonds. We don't allow any commission. It would be easy to say. We will send those bonds over to a broker in London to sell, but that would mean two percent for the broker.

Now, my hon. friend (Pitts) who stated that the highest offers we received for the sterling and currency respectively were 94 and 92 is entirely wrong. The currency offer was 93.58, and that seemed to me to be a better offer than 94.51 for sterling.

Now, as regards the English market, you cannot get bonds listed on the English market just by telegraph. More than that, you require to issue at least £200,000 worth of what you can get them listed at.

Now, what was the advertisement for tenders that we issued in the Royal Gazette? I will read the substantial part of it:— "PROVINCIAL DEBENTURES. Sealed tenders will be received at this office until Friday, the 21st day of January, 1898, at 6 o'clock p. m. for the purchase of the whole or part of the following provincial debentures:—

"I think I voice the opinion of the whole house when I say that it would not have been politic nor right to accept anything less than the actual market price of the tenders. For that reason I thought it proper to give another opportunity for tenders, not having the bonds or debentures around in New York or Montreal, as the leader of the opposition said, for I never did. After these tenders were in I never tried to sell these bonds, but prior to advertising for tenders at all I had an interview with an English gentleman in Montreal with reference to the advisability of having them listed on the English market.