Town & Country

DENTAL NOTICE:—Dr. Vaughan's office will be closed on Wednesdays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m., owing to his duties as dental surgeon to the Hotel Dieu requiring his presence at that institution.

PROPERTY PURCHASE: — Mr. F. E. Neale has purchased, for $1 600, the portion of the Pallen property, 300x350 feet, lying south of the residential property of Mr. R. A. Snowball It is, we understand, Mr. Neale's intention to build a residence there.

IT IS NONSENSE to say that because you have a bad cough you are going to have consumption, but it is safer and better to cure it with Adamson's Botanic Cough Balsam. 25c. all Druggists.

KENT CO. FIRE:—A Harcourt despatch of Tuesday says that John Robertson, who lives near the mouth of Bass River, had two barns with contents, including eighty bushels of wheat, one hundred and fifty bushels of oats, besides a valuable lot of farming implements burned on Sunday last. The loss will be one thousand dollars.

A GRIST MILL PLANT FOR SALE:—The subscribers offer for sale a full and complete outfit of Grist mill machinery and plant, consisting of bolt, smutter, French burr stones, etc., all in good condition.

Apply to DAMERY & McDONALD.

A GREAT AUSTRALIAN-BORN SINGER—Miss Ada Crossley—is making a tour of Canada and is soon to visit St. John and perhaps, other centres in New Brunswick. She is held in the highest personal esteem in Australia, and now comes from London recommended by Hon. Alderdale Grainger, Agent General for South Australia, who bespeaks for her a good reception on this side of the Atlantic.

WANTED—FAITHFUL PERSON TO TRAVEL for well established house, in a few counties, calling on retail merchants and agents. Local territory. Salary $1024 a year and expenses, payable $19.70 a week in cash and expenses advanced. Position permanent. Business successful and rushing. Standard House, 334 Dearborn St., Chicago.

A 1,000 INVESTMENT, in a patent weather strip, has been made by Messrs. John McDonald, Wm. Damery and Chas. Reinsboro, of Chatham. They purchased the Maritime right to the device from Mr. Grover who held it and visited Chatham last week for the purpose of making the sale. The patent strip costs $1.25 per door. Its purpose is to shut off the cold draft from the floor and keep rain from beating in. It will last as long as the house does, being made entirely of metal.

PREMONITION OF DEATH.—Miss Minnie Picket of the east end, Chatham, aged 22, died on Wednesday of last week after a brief attack of pneumonia. She is said to have had a premonition of her death occuring at a certain hour on Wednesday, and during her illness she called the attention of her family to some mysterious appearances which she affirmed were in the room, but which none but herself could see. She was an excellent girl and her death is much regretted by a large circle of friends.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

A Musical and Literary Entertainment.

Mr. Homer Eaton, the famous elocutionist and impersonator, and Miss Annie Frank Libby, the eminent harpist of the Boston Company, will appear in the Masonic Hall on Thursday evening, the 12th, under the auspices of St. John's church choir. Miss Libby as a harpist and Mr. Eaton as an impersonator are said to have no equals in America, so we feel assured that a great treat is in store for the people of Chatham. Watch for further particulars.

A Change in the Weather Brings Coughs and Colds, Hoarseness and Sore Lungs.

Use that agreeable and perfectly harmless remedy The Bard Company's Wine of Tar Honey and Wild Cherry; it soothes and allays all irritation and gives rest and comfort.

Obituary.

Mrs. McMullin, wife of Captain John McMullin of St. Stephen, died in that town on 24th ult. The Courier says she was the youngest daughter of Thomas Murray, who emigrated from Scotland to Chatham, Miramichi, about seventy-five years ago, and in that town, about fifty-seven years ago Mrs. McMullen was born. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Helen McLeod, who is the oldest of Mr. Murray's family of ten, and who resides in Chatham.

The deceased was married about thirty years ago to John McMullen, the veteran book keeper for James Murchie & Sons.

Coltart-Clouston.

A very pretty wedding took place, on the evening of Wednesday, January 21st, at the residence of Mr. Richard Clouston, Lower Derby, when his daughter, Margaret Josephine, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Richard Coltart of Douglastown, by the officiating clergyman Rev. A. F. Brown, of Newcastle. The bride looked very attractive dressed in cream serge, trimmed with point lace and white satin ribbon. She was attended by her sister, Katie, who wore white organdie, trimmed with black velvet ribbon. The groom was ably supported by his friend, Mr. John Gray of British Columbia.

Immediately after the ceremony, supper was served to only a few of the intimate friends of the bride and groom. After spending the night with music and games a happy party including the newly-wedded pair, started early next morning and drove to Newcastle, where the bride and groom boarded the Maritime Express for Boston and other cities.

The bride's traveling suit was royal blue broadcloth, trimmed with white silk and hat to match. The bride received from her friends many beautiful and useful presents The groom's gift was a pair of black Persian lamb mitts.

Mrs. Coltart will receive her friends at her home in Douglastown in April.

January Sale!

15 Pairs Children's Button Overshoes

Sizes 5, 6, 7 & 9 only. Former Price $1.25, now 50 cents.

15 Pairs Misses' Button Overshoes

Sizes 11, 12, 13 & 1. Former Price $1.25, now 50 cents.

12 Pairs Ladies' Button Overshoes

Sizes 2 & 3 only. Former Price $1.60, now 75 cents.

W. S. LOGGIE Company, Ltd.

KING BOOT AND SHOE AGENTS.

Is Your Back Lame.

Does it hurt to stoop or bend down? Have you a heavy dull pain at the base of the spine? If so, the best remedy is Nerviline; it will invigorate the tired, sore muscles, makes them supple and strong. Nerviline will drive out the pain and make you well in no time. Nothing is as good as Nerviline for Lumbago, Stiff Neck, Rheumatism, Neuralgia and Sciatica. Buy a 25c. bottle of Polson's Nerviline to-day, and try it. Sold by C. P. Hickey, Chatham, N. B.

DR. HAMILTON'S PILLS CURE CONSTIPATION.

Personal.

Mr. John Gray who was visiting his home in Douglastown for the past few weeks, left on Thursday, on his return to British Columbia.

Rev. J. L. McDonald, of Loggieville, was in Moncton on Friday last.

H. F. McLatchey, Esq., of Campbellton, was a passenger on the Maritime Express last Friday night, returning home from Hillsboro, Albert County, where he had attended his late father's funeral.

Hon. A. T. Dunn, while going down Princess street, St. John, Friday morning, slipped on the icy sidewalk. Fortunately he was not seriously injured, and was able to continue his journey to his home in Musquash.

Hon Premier Tweedie went to St John by the Maritime Express on Tuesday morning, en route for Fredericton.

R. A. Lawlor, Esq., K. C., was a passenger for Moncton by the Maritime Express on Tuesday morning.

His Honor, Lt. Governor Snowball, went to Fredericton on Tuesday morning's Canada Eastern Express train in connection with the regular monthly meeting of the Executive government.

Passenger Agent Foster of the C. P. R. was in Chatham last week.

Mr. P. Campbell John on has returned from a trip to St. John, where, as district deputy for Northumberland, he visited Foresters' meetings and was tendered votes of thanks for his efficient official services and the enjoyment he afforded the brethren by his musical performances.

Dying by Slow Degrees.

Although not always aware of it yet thousands die by slow degrees of Catarrh. It first attacks the nose or throat, then the lungs, and finally spreads all through the system. Catarrhozone is the only remedy that will immediately prevent the spread of this awful disease. Every breath from the Inhaler kills thousands of germs, clears the throat and nose, aids expectoration and relieves the pain across the eyes. Catarrhozone eradicates every vestige of catarrh from the system, and is highly recommended also for Bronchitis, Asthma, Deafness and Lung Trouble. Price $1 00; trial size 25 cts., all druggists. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont. Sold by C. P. Hickey, Chatham, N. B.

DR. HAMILTON'S PILLS CURE BILLIOUSNESS.

F. & D. Association.

SUSSEX, Jan. 29,—The meetings of the Farmers' and Dairymen's Association are being held in the Medley Memorial Hall. The meetings are presided over by Mr. J. R. Taylor, of Taylor Village, Westmorland County, president of the Association. A large number of delegates were present at the opening and nearly every county in the province was represented, as well as some in Nova Scotia and P. E. I.

Among the speakers on agriculture and other matters were Prof. C. A. Zavitz, of the Guelph Agricultural College, Prof. Hodson, Live Stock Commissioner for the Dominion, Prof. Clark, of the Seeds and Grain Department, of Ottawa, W. Saxby Blair, of the Experimental Farm, Nappan, and many others. The discussions were attentively listened to and many questions asked by those present on the various points in the different discussions.

In the evening a good programme was arranged and the presence of His Honor, Lt. Governor Snowball and staff added interest to the proceedings. His Honor was accompanied by his Secretary, Mr. Eddy and his A. D. C., Capt. L. W. Peters. On the platform were Hon. L. P. Farris, G. W. Fowler, M. P., Ora P. King, M. P. P., and G. G. Scovil, M. P. P.

Geo. W. Fowler, M. P., moved a short address of welcome to his honor, which was seconded by O. P. King, M. P. P., in a brief and eloquent speech.

In replying, his honor spoke of the pleasure he had in greeting a Sussex audience for the first time in his official capacity. He gave a practical address to the farmers, touching on many matters of interest. He congratulated the farmers of Kings on the fact that while the province produced $840 000 worth of dairy produce, Kings had produced 38 per cent. of that amount, but deplored the fact that Kings had not succeeded in establishing roller wheat mills.

On his own farm at Chatham his honor had succeeded in growing a considerable quantity of wheat which he found a profitable crop and he endeavored to impress upon his audience the importance of correcting their lack of interest in that particular line.

He considered the by-products of that cereal a valuable food for dairy cattle, and if the production of hogs was in the same ratio to the dairy output Kings county would annually raise 16,000 hogs. He understood there was a movement in the direction of the establishment of a pork packing house in Sussex, and he wished the enterprise every success.

Speaking of breeds of cows, he had himself tried the Jerseys and also the Ayrshires but had concluded that a large animal, such as the Durham, suited him better. His honor quoted statistics showing the enormous increase in Canada of agricultural products, especially in the west, and if one railway was not sufficient to convey them to the seaboard for shipment we should have two or three, if need be.

Everything produced in Canada should always be shipped through Canadian ports. Canadians should stick to this through thick and thin. Low, quick freights and cold storage have done much to place Canadian goods on the British market in a fit condition to compete with the agricultural countries of Europe.

His honor closed his interesting address by some reminiscenses of his travels in northern Africa and called the attention of Canadians to their happy condition in this country as compared with the country referred to.

Addresses were then delivered by Hon. L. P. Farris, commissioner of agriculture, and his deputy, T. A. Peters.

Music was rendered at intervals during the evening by the Sussex orchestra and solos were given by Miss Carrie McLeod and Dr. W. H. White, with Mrs. E. B. Harnett accompanist.

After the meeting his honor held an informal reception and many of the citizens were presented.

The officers elected for the ensuing year are

President, Chas T Rogers.
Vice-president, Geo J Dickson.
Corresponding secretary, Thos A Peters.
Recording secretary, A G Dickson.
Treasurer, A M Fawcett.
Vice-presidents:
Kings county, John Raymond.
Westmorland county, W W Fawcett.
Albert county, N C Geldart.
St John county, R R Patchell.
Charlotte county, Geo Mowatt.
York county, P C Powys.
Charlotte county, C L Smith.
Sunbury county, N Wilmot.
Queens county, S L Peters.
Northumberland county, Clifford Galloway.
Kent county, Geo N Clark.
Victoria county, David Curry.
Madawaska county, Peter Colin.
Gloucester county, David Richards.
Restigouche county, John Dawson.

The Evils of Constipation.

This dangerous condition causes sick headache, abdominal pains, and in severe cases insanity and apoplexy. The most agreeable and satisfactory remedy is Ferrozone, which makes the bowels so well ordered that natural and unassisted action is established. It is mild and certain in action and never causes distress or inconvenience, and may be taken as long as required. Pains in the stomach and intestines, piles, billiousness and headache disappear at once when Ferrozone is used. Recommended and sold by Druggists, price 50c. By mail from N. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont. Sold by C. P. Hickey, Chatham, N. B.

NO PILLS LIKE DR. HAMILTON'S.

Curling.

Four rinks representing the Campbellton Curling Club arrived here on last Thursday's day express to play a match with the Chatham Club. Excellent arrangements had been made by the latter for the visitors' reception, and they were met at the station by St. Michael's Band's big sleigh, which was kindly loaned for the occasion. It was drawn by a four-horse team from Mr. A. S. Ullock's stable and the visitors were taken to the Riverview Hotel, where a first class dinner, provided on the Chatham Club's order awaited them, the landlord, Mr. Peter Archer, who is an enthusiastic curler, taking special pains to make it pleasant for his guests. After dinner the visitors were given a short drive around town, ending at the Curling rink, where the game was at once begun between two rinks a side skipped, respectively, by Messrs. Hugh Marquis and H. H. Bray for Campbellton, vs. S. D. Heckbert and Jas. Johnston for Chatham. The ice was "drug" and although the Chatham men had the best of it in the earlier part of the play, the Campbeltonians proved too much for them and at the close were six points ahead, Bray winning by four and Marquis by two.

The Campbellton men were naturally in fine humor over winning in the first half of the engounter, and as they are good players and go into the game in the most sportsmenlike way, their opponents congratulated them as heartily as if they had beaten rinks of some other club.

In the evening, Campbellton rinks skipped by Messrs. Murray and Jardine opposed Chatham rinks skipped by Messrs. Hildebrand and MacLachlan. The ice was even more "drug" than in the afternoon, but the play on no. two between Messrs. Murray and MacLachlan's men was very close. On no. one ice, however, skip Hildebrand's rink had it about all their own way. At the end it was a tie on number two, but a majority of thirteen for Hildebraud, on no. one, which wiped out the visitors' win of six in the forenoon and left a victory of seven points with the home club. The players and results all through were as follows:—

CAMPBELLTON.		CHATHAM.	
Afternoon.			
R. Currie,		Robt. Logie,	
Chas. Coes,		F. S. Mahar,	
A. O'Keeffe,		C. P. Hickey,	
Hugh Marquis, sk.,	14	S.D. Heckbert, sk.,	12
H. S. Johnston,		Ken. Breau,	
J. Cameron,		Jas. Gilmore,	
E. B. Price,		Alex. Brown,	
H. H. Bray, sk.,	17	Jas. Johnston, sk,	13
Totals,	31	Totals,	25
Evening.			
Robt. Currie,		W. J. Connors,	
Wm. Sproul,		C. Ruddock,	
J. White,		H. McKendy,	
J. P. Jardine, sk.,	6	G. Hildebraud, sk.,	19
E. Legallais,		Geo. Watt,	
A. O'Keeffe,		Jas. McIntosh,	
H. Wilson,		F. Johnston,	
F.M. Murray, sk.,	13	W. McLachlan, sk.,	13
Totals,	19	Totals,	32
Grand totals,	50		57

Much interest was manifested in the game, the available space for spectators at the rink being filled both afternoon and evening.

The Campbellton curlers were entertained at a supper at the Canada House by their Chatham brethren after the evening play. Skip Jas. Johnston, the proprietor of that hotel, put up a good spread. The menu card bore on the title-page the legend:

"We're a' Jock Tamson's Bairns," and read as follows:—

BOILED—"Draw ta this"
HAM. TONGUE WITH OLIVES

ROASTS—"Be up ta it"
TURKEY, Chestnut Dressing, Cranberry Jelly
CHICKEN, Bread Sauce
GOOSE, Tart Apple Sauce
LAMB, Mint Sauce

"Tak an inwick aff this"
TOMATO SCALLOP — CORN SCALLOP
POTATOES — PARSNIPS

DESSERT—"Raise it through"
APPLE PIE — MINCE PIE
CREAM PIE — CHOCOLATE PIE
TEA — COFFEE

"Brooms up!"

Mayor Snowball, president of the Club, being on the other side of the Atlantic, the chair was occupied by Vice President Hildebrand and the vice chair by ex-president R. A. Lawlor, K. C. "The King" was proposed by the Chairman and "God Save the King" sung. Vice chairman Lawlor proposed "The Campbellton Club," which was responded to by President Jardine of that organization and by skip H. H. Bray. A sketch embodying the habitant idea of curling, as played in Campbellton, was given by its author, Mr. J. White, and was pronounced equal to a Drummond production. "The Chatham Curling Club," proposed by Mr. Jardine, was responded to by Mr. D. G. Smith. Mr. Ken Breau, by request, addressed the company on politics, from a non-party standpoint. Mr. W. J. Logie, who was introduced by vice chairman Lawlor as the Mascott of the Chatham Club, made a witty speech. Skip Murray of Campbellton also spoke. The pleasant gathering closed at 12.30, as the visitors were to leave by the Maritime Express in the early morning to play at Moncton.

The Campbellton men went to Moncton on Friday morning's Maritime Express and played four rinks of the club of that city in the afternoon. The ice was in poor condition, owing to the temperature being above the freezing point. The result was as follows:—

MONCTON.		CAMPBELLTON.	
C. W. Price, sk.,	7,	vs. H. H. Bray, sk.,	19
B E Smith, "	13,	" F. R. Murray, "	13
A.C. Chapman, "	14,	" H. Marquis, "	10
J. Edington, "	23,	" J. P. Jardine, "	11
	57		53

The Campbellton curlers were entertained at lunch at the close of the game, and left for home on Friday evening by the Maritime express.

At a banquet in Halifax the other day given by the Halifax Curling Club in honor of the Tristies of St. John, president Murray of the Halifax club discussed the formation of a maritime association, and raised the question as to affiliation with the Royal Caledonian Club of Scotland. He thought that a maritime association, with district and provincial sub-associations might well be formed. It was hardly feasible to hold a big bonspiel; bonspiels could be held by the clubs of northern and southern New Brunswick and eastern and western Nova Scotia, the winners of each to meet in a central place and these winners to meet again for the medal.

President Sinclair of the Thistles, concurred in what President Murray had said regarding the advantages of a maritime association, but he was doubtful about the utility of a branch of the Royal Caledonian Club. He contended that the McLellan cup, now held by Truro, should not be lying idle, but should be in competition, and he would like to see a maritime association, so that it might be set in motion, and other good for curlers effected. Clubs in Ontario and Winnipeg played for the championship of Canada without considering those of the maritime provinces, and we had just as good players here as in any part of the world, and the main object of this association should be to see that those of the maritime provinces are recognized when the championships of Canada are in question."

Chatham Town Council

Ald. Murray was chosen chairman of the regular monthly meeting of Chatham Town Council which was held on Monday evening.

The clerk read copy of resolution adopted by Chatham Board of Trade recommending the establishment of a salvage corps; also a communication from Messrs. E. N. Ruddock and John B. Bell suggesting that as the Grand Orange Lodge's coming session in Chatham would continue for several days, the charge of $15 a day for the use of Council chamber and committee room ought to be somewhat modified.

Ald. Hocken, referring to the remarks reported as having been made by certain members of the Board of Trade when the subject of establishing a salvage corps was under discussion at the late meeting of that body, said it was a pity that before discussing the town fire service those gentlemen did not take the trouble to make themselves acquainted with the facts. When they undertook to belittle the firemen and their work they were not only unjust to a body of deserving men, but reports of what they said, going abroad, tended to create the impression that our fire organization was ineffective. The statement that he was chief of the department, and the reflections cast on him as such, were very wide of the mark, for he had not been chief for three or four years. Capt. Burke had charge of the men and his work and theirs would compare favorably with that of any similar body of men in any other town. It was little help they got in the discharge of their duties from people like Messrs. MacLachlan, Stothart and Flanagan, who were not the men to turn out on cold nights and assist in the hard work the firemen had to do, and for which they got little thanks.

In reference to the application for a reduction of the daily rental of the council chamber and committee room, as it was to be occupied for several days, perhaps a reduction might not be unreasonable.

The Salvage Corps communication was referred to the Fire Committee.

Messrs. Ruddock and Bell's application was referred to the Public Works Committee, with power to act.

A number of bills recommended by the Public Works Committee were ordered to be paid.

Ald. Nicol, Chairman of the Finance Committee, made a long report on the town accounts for the year 1902 giving items in detail, of which the following is a summary:—

Receipts.

Taxes collected for 1902,	$15,594 86
" " from defaulters,	4,037 05
Licenses,	287 90
J. F. Connors, P. Magist. returns	508 61
Dog tax,	62 40
Rent of Lockup,	62 00
" Engine House,	24 00
Wharfage,	6 80
Scott Act,	1,200 00
Interest,	508 68
Costs on executions,	3 40
Firemen's fund,	164 52
	$22,460 22

Disbursements.

Schools,	$10,435 00	
Sinking fund,	1,500 00	
Contingencies,	3,655 24	
Board of Health,	82 12	
Interest,	4,430 00	
Police,	738 13	
Streets,	2,461 26	
Fire,	2,221 58	
Light,	1,722 45	
Dr. Balance 1901,	672 12	
		$27,917 90
Debit balance,		$ 5 457 68

Ald. Nicol said the contingencies had largely exceeded the estimate therefor. They amounted to $3,655.24, whereas an assessment under that head of only $1.500 had been asked. He accounted for the difference between the estimate and expenditure under this head by citing the unforseen outlay for a new flagstaff in the Public Square; desks and wire screens for the town offices; fireworks and lanterns for "jubilation"; and balance on the McNaughton fountain.

Ald. Murray: All this don't account for the deficit.

Ald. Nicol referred to the accounts connected with the different services and showed that there was a deficit of $5,457.68.

There was now only $690 to the credit of the School fund, and the Trustees would, themselves, have to provide any money they might need beyond that sum to carry on their work until the next assessment.

It was ordered, on motion of ald. Nicol, that the year's accounts pass and that 200 copies thereof be published by the Town Clerk in pamphlet form, it being understood that the work would be done by tender.

Ald. Nicol said the Water and Sewerage construction accounts were not ready to be submiteed, as Mr. Seely had not yet audited them.

Ald. Nicol submitted the following report for the month from the Finance Committee:

The decision of the Council re the sinking fund has been carried out. Seven bonds issued June 2, 1902, Nos. 74 to 80, have been purchased and the same endorsed across the face of the bond with the words, "Property Sinking fund, Town of Chatham." Coupons No 1 of each bond, which became due before the bonds were bought, and, therefore, do not belong to the sinking fund—no accrued interest having been paid—have been detached, and will be charged to interest account and credited to bond account.

The committee recommends that these bonds be placed in the bank for safe keeping and that the Treasurer, at least once a year, detach the coupons due, and place the same to the credit of the Sinking fund.

The balance of the Sinking fund has been placed in the Savings Bank.

In regard to the application of the Police Magistrate for increase of salary, your committee finds that towns in New Brunswick larger than Chatham pay a greater salary, while all other towns, as far as your committee has learned, pay no salary, but give the fees of the court instead. Mr. Connors has intimated that he would probably be willing to take the fees instead of a salary, especially if the Scott Act fines are in future to be handed over to the Receiver General.

Your committee is unanimously of the opinion that if any change is to be made it should be done on the election of a new Council (which takes place in a short time) and recommends that this Council take no action in the matter.

Scott Act fines for January were John McKinnon, $53; James Johnston, $53; Allan Mann, $53; Peter Archer, $53.

At Chairman Murray's suggestion the word "inclusive" was placed in the report after the figures, 80, in the third line.

Ald. Nicol, referring to Police Magistrate Connors' application for increased salary, read a summary of replies from different towns of the Province, from which it appeared that:—

In Campbellton, the P. M. receives the ordinary fees allowed to Justices of the Peace. In St. Stephen, he receives similar fees and ordinary magistrates' fees in Scott Act cases; the last year, in St. Stephen, these amounted to $74.65 for Scott Act cases, and $91.30 for other cases. In Newcastle the P. M. is paid by the fees for criminal business, including Scott Act, in all not more than $100. In Moncton, the P. M. receives about $600; in Fredericton about $400 for trying cases under the provincial statutes. Outside of that he seems to have some additional fees.

The Finance Committee's report, as submitted, was adopted.

In response to request of Council, Treasurer Johnston stated that defaulters owed on account of taxes prior to 1902 about $500—chiefly on real estate. The default for 1902 was about $12,000. Warrants had been placed in constables' hands but it seemed that they would or could not collect.

Ald. Nicol said the list of ratepayers, as made out by the assessors, contained about one hundred names of persons not in the town at the time or since. This showed carelessness.

Board of Health bills were submitted and referred to the Finance Committee. Ald. Nicol explained that no assessment had been made for the Board of Health because, after frequent applications to the chairman for an estimate of what they would require, he had failed to secure one.

A number of water and sewerage bills were ordered to be paid.

Ald. Maher submitted by-law to punish climbers on the stand-pipe, etc. Passed.

Ald. Murray directed attention to a criticism which had been made by the World on a by-law passed for the protection of the town property at the dam and pumping station. That paper had intimated that because that property was not within the town limits, the Council had no authority for passing the by-law. Under the act authorising the town to construct the water works, power was expressly given to the Council to make by-laws for their protection and the paper referred to ought to have informed itself on the subject before presuming to encourage those who might be disposed to trespass on the property referred to. He hoped there would be no misapprehension on the subject in future.

A number of bills from committees were presented by ald. Maher, Hocken and Morris and ordered to be paid.

Ald. Nicol discussed, at some length, a scheme for paying policemen, inspectors, etc. out of the Scott Act fund. He seemed to be under the impression that that fund was not to be available in future as heretofore for these purposes.

Ald. Murray said there was no excitement over the future of the Scott Act fund. It was merely proposed to transfer it to those who were enforcing the act to be used for their purposes in doing so. It was not to be sent away at all.

Ald. Nicol referred to some amendments to the Towns Incorporation Act, which he thought ought to be suggested to those who were consolidating the provincial laws.

Ald. Murray said he had already suggested to Mr. Lawlor most of the alterations mentioned by ald. Nicol.

A motion by ald. Nicol to refer the subject to the by-law committee passed.

Ald. Murray said he wished to make a few remarks with reference to an editorial which recently appeared in the World criticizing the report of the Electric Light Com. made on the 19th January last showing the result of the operations of the Electric Light plant for the year ending the 31st Dec., 1902. The World intimated that because a number of bills against the plant were passed at the same meeting at which the report was made, the latter did not show a correct statement of the expenditure during the year, as these bills should have been included. The facts are that at the end of the year 1901 stock had been taken and debited to the year 1902. All expenses incurred during 1902 had been charged to the plant. At the end of 1902 stock had been taken and the revenue for the year credited to the plant. The balance was then struck, showing the net profit, as appeared in the report. This was the businesslike way of making up the statement. As to the bills which had been passed on 19th Jan., some of them were for stock received and expenses incurred since Dec 31. A few of them were for expenses of 1902 but they had been included in the statement, so that everything which was properly chargeable to operations of 1902 had been debited to the plant. This Council and the members thereof are, no doubt, open to criticism, but it should be fair criticism. When the editor of the World imagined he saw something wrong, he could very easily have called up the Town officials on the telephone and asked for an explanation which would have been readily given and he would have learned that the report was strictly accurate and did not call for the strictures he placed on it. He (Ald Murray) would not say that there was an intention on the part of the editor to wilfully deceive the public, but the publishing of the article without making inquiries which could so easily have been made showed a recklessness as to whether the public were deceived or not. This Council is not infallible and possibly does make mistakes, but it should be ascertained that a mistake has really been made before a newspaper should attack it. Last winter, the Council had a matter under consideration for several months. It was discussed and considered a number of times in committee. All the information possible was obtained and, in the spring, when it was necessary to have the work done a decision was arrived at and the work done accordingly. Yet, another of our local newspapers came out in its next issue with the unwarranted statement that the Council, without giving the matter a moment's consideration, had decided, &c. This, in face of the fact that it had been fully and frequently considered during the winter months. Such things as these he considered unfair to the Council.

Adjourned.

Municipal Council.

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Coun Morrison moved in amendment that the money be transferred to the Land Fund.

Coun. Flett accepted this amendment.

Coun. Murray entirely agreed with Coun. Watt as to the necessity for a pesthouse. A great saving had been made in confining the smallpox within certain limits. Suppose it had got into Chatham. The schools would have been closed, and the town would have had to pay $700 a month to teachers for doing nothing. That was only one item of the cost. Cases might arise where the disease could be kept from spreading if there was a pest house for an infected person to be sent at once. We should not wait for the town to be on fire before procuring a fire engine.

Coun. Watt said the calling of a special meeting of Council had been seriously discussed when the smallpox broke out.

Coun. Anderson thought Alnwick would not be benefitted by the building of a pest house. Let Chatham and Newcastle go ahead and build one, and they could come to the council and ask for aid. Patients could not be taken to it from the outlying parishes.

Coun. Ryan agreed with Coun. Anderson. No one wanted it but Chatham and they said that they didn't. Then vote back the money. They had fitted up a pesthouse in Rogersville and couldn't get anybody to go into it. We had voted for this last year but had more experience now. It would be of no benefit to this parish.

Coun. Watt—The Board of Health could build one and then you would have to pay the bill and save money by it. Smallpox cost Kent Co. $7000.00 last year.

Coun. Ryan—$6000.00.

Coun. Pond—and Chatham and Newcastle would be benefitted by it.

Coun Murray—We don't want it. Why wouldn't it benefit Nelson or some other parish if it were built there?

Coun. Flett's resolution passed without division.

On motion of Coun. Crocker, E. P. Williston was appointed auditor.

On motion of Coun. McColm, parish officers were appointed for North Esk.

At the suggestion of the Warden, the Rogersville list, which had been sent out for fumigation passed.

On motion of Coun. Murray, Bye-law 18 "Booms and boomage" was amended by the addition of a section making the boomage at the Black River boom four cents a thousand.

On motion of Coun. Swim the returns of E. A. Bamford, J. P., of Blissfield passed.

Coun. Doyle—I move we adjourn till to-morrow morning. Carried.

FRIDAY.

Newcastle, Jan. 23rd.

Warden called council to order at ten o'clock.

Coun. Morrison read a petition from the W. C. T. U. in reference to the sale of tobacco, especially cigarettes, to minors. He said that here in Newcastle this habit was a growing one, now whenever you saw a number of boys congregated they would be smoking cigarettes. There was at present a law which forbade the sale of cigarettes to boys but it was a dead letter. Boys who smoked these cigarettes were known to become intoxicated with them and it was getting to be as bad as the opium habit among the Chinese. He did not know whether the government would do anything in the matter, but thought the council should draw the attention of the House of Commons to the matter and see if there is not some way to pass a law to stop the manufacture, importation and sale of cigarettes. Any student would admit that this cigarette habit was a serious one, and although he had not much faith in anything the government could enact yet he thought it only proper that this council should strengthen the hands of the W. C. T. U. by affixing the name of our Warden and Sec.-Treasurer to this petition.

Coun. Connors approved of all that had been said by Coun. Morrison. There were two effects of the constant use of cigarettes, one, the damage done to the health of the youth, the other, the liability to start fires. Thought it would be a good move for the council to approve of this petition and affix the Warden's and Sec.-Treasurer's names to the petition whether there were any good results from it or not. In Chatham a great many boys were addicted to the habit.

Coun. Swim was of the opinion that not only were cigarettes used by boys in the towns but also to some extent in the county. The use of them had many bad effects especially to the health, but it all leads up to the use of tobacco by boys.

Coun. Ryan agreed that it was a great nuisance but how could it be suppressed. The council was no doubt in favor of the petition. He thought it only proper to restrict the sale of cigarettes to boys, older people had sense enough not to injure themselves by the habit but boys had none. He feared that if a law was passed it would be something like our law against peddlers, unless we could have the government pass a law to punish the smokers.

Coun. Doyle thought it was the bad example set by the men that was responsible for most of this habit. Boys saw the men go around with cigars and followed the example. Boys were very ingenious and if they were not able to buy cigarettes they were able to get a little tobacco and make them. Men should stop smoking and set a good example.

Coun. Watt said he agreed with Coun. Doyle, men ought to set a good example. There was a law at present on the statute books but it was not now enforced. He presumed that the organization who sent petition intended to enforce the act and that would incur expenses. It was a bad example the men were setting to the boys but if we could not stop the men from smoking, we would have to restrict the sale to boys.

Coun. Watt submitted the following resolution which was carried unanimously:

Resolved that this council desire to place themselves on record as in favor of using every effort to stop the dangerous and growing evil of the cigarette habit which is rapidly tending to destroy the youth of our country and hereby authorize the Warden and Sec.-Treasurer of this council to sign the petition here presented, under seal of the county.

Coun. Swim seconded the resolution.

Coun. Morrison said that cigarettes were four times as injurious to the health as ordinary tobacco. There was no comparison between the two and this petition was striking at cigarettes particularly.

Coun. Robertson said we were blaming the boys wholly but he was sorry to say that some girls were offenders in this as well as the boys.

Coun. Pond thought the council was doing the right thing in signing the petition.

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