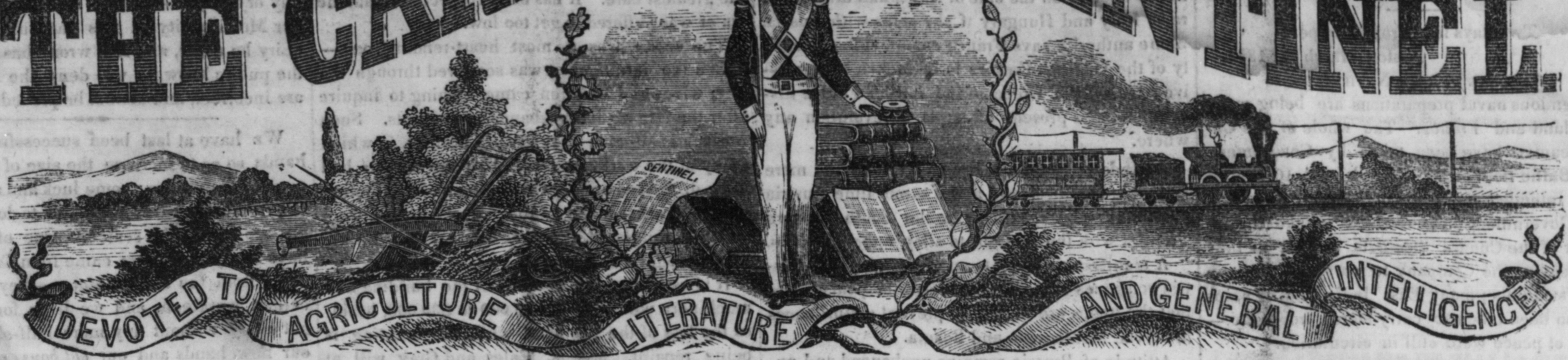


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## Proceedings of County Council.

Continued.

COURT HOUSE, Woodstock,  
March 13th, 1854.

On motion of Mr. J. Hay, seconded by Mr. Gray, it was ordered that the Secretary Treasurer, be authorized to procure printed blanks for the purpose of enabling the different Parish Officers to observe a proper degree of uniformity in their several returns, and thus facilitate the discharge of duties incumbent upon this Council Board.

Mr. J. Hay presented a petition from Andrew Currie, praying to be remunerated £2 15s, which he says was unjustly taxed upon his property in Maduxmakik School District, in the Parish of Richmond, for the year 1853.

On motion of Mr. Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Dibblee,

Resolved, That this Council cannot afford the required redress.

Mr. J. Hay, asked for leave to present a petition from the inhabitants of Green Lake, School District, praying that the assessment now in course of collection on that District may be stayed. Leave granted and the petition read, whereupon on motion it was

Resolved, That the Council cannot interfere in the matter.

Mr. Dibblee brought up a petition from Scotch Corner School District, on which the collection of a School Tax on that District had been stayed from the December meeting of this Council, to the present. After having been read, it was

Resolved, On motion of Mr. Dibblee, seconded by Mr. Lindsay,

That in the event of the inhabitants of the said District, making sufficient provision on or before the 1st day of February next, to remunerate the Teacher, now in course of employment, the matter may be stayed, otherwise this Council will not interfere.

Council adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow.

COURT HOUSE, February 14, 1854.

Council met at 9 o'clock A. M., Warden in the chair.

PRESENT.—Messrs. J. Hay, Gray, Carville, Burpe, Gallop, Craig, Harding, Richardson, Barratt, Kerr, W. Hay, Lindsay, Clowse, Dibblee. Minutes read and approved.

On motion of Mr. J. Hay, seconded by Mr. Gray,

Resolved, That the Secretary Treasurer be directed to transmit at an early opportunity, to the Trustees of Schools, for the Parish of Richmond, a copy of the Resolution passed yesterday, in reference to the Scotch Corner School District, to enable them to call a School meeting, and make arrangements to carry said resolution into effect.

On motion of Mr. Craig, seconded by Mr. Lindsay,

Resolved, That the account allowed and ordered to be paid to Charles H. Connell, for extra services be reconsidered. On division the Resolution was lost, and the account stands

On motion of Mr. Craig, seconded by Mr. Lindsay,

Resolved, That the order passed yesterday to pay David Currier 10s, be reconsidered. Decided in the negative.

Mr. Dibblee, from the Committee appointed to examine the account of John Bedell, Coroner, reported that they had attended to that duty, and recommended the account to be allowed at £11 13s.

On motion ordered, That an order be drawn in favor of John Bedell for £11 13s. in accordance with his report.

Mr. Dibblee filed a list of persons to serve as voluntarily receiving and of Woodstock, for

the year 1854, who were ratified and appointed Parish Officers for the same year.

On motion of Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Barratt,

Resolved, As the opinion of this Board, that it is advisable to petition the Legislature to make such amendments to the Corporation Act as may assimilate the same as nearly as may be to the practice of the Municipal Authorities in Canada, by allowing each Parish to elect three or five Councillors as may be thought best to transact the business of the same, who shall have power to elect one of their number to represent such Parish in the County Council, as from the construction of the present law, nearly all the time of the Council is taken up in attending to Parish business, and leaving undone part of what particularly belongs to the County.

To which Mr. Clowse moved as an amendment, seconded by Mr. Gallop.

Resolved, That the matter be postponed for consideration until the next semi-annual meeting of this Council.

Mr. Dibblee by leave presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Woodstock, praying the repeal of a certain regulation of Section 4, of By-Law No. 1, prohibiting the running at large of any Cows on the Commons or Highways in the Parish of Woodstock, "between sun-set and sunrise."

On motion ordered, That said Repeal be allowed and, a By-Law prepared accordingly.

Mr. Kerr directed the attention of the Council to a Resolution passed by this Board on the 12th of January, 1853, viz.—That a Committee be appointed to procure a sufficient number of copies of Road-Law, for the information of Commissioners and Surveyors of Highways in the County, and asked to have the said resolution carried into effect. Whereupon on motion it was ordered, that the same be carried into effect, and Messrs. Dibblee and Lindsay were appointed a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. Gray presented a petition from Ivory Kilburn, praying that he be allowed 20s for his services as Parish Clerk of Richmond. Whereupon

On motion of Mr. Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Dibblee,

Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Councillors for Richmond.

Mr. Dibblee moved, and Mr. Kerr seconded the following Resolutions, viz:

Resolved, As the opinion of this Board, that the present system of the administration of Law in Civil suits by the Court of Common Pleas, as constituted in this County, and by the several Magistrates Courts, would be most materially improved by abolishing the said Court of Common Pleas, and the said Magistrates' Courts altogether, and transferring the jurisdiction of the same to a judge or stipendiary Magistrate of competent legal standing, in all civil cases where the matter or cause of action shall not exceed the sum of £20.

Resolved, As the opinion of this Board that the Provincial Acts relating to juries, and the mode of summoning them require amendment, and they ought to be amended so far as to render the mode of selection—Jurors' book, Jurors' rolls, and the balloting Jurors' lists therefrom—analagous to the mode adopted in Canada, under the late consolidated Act for that Province. And further

Resolved, That the Representatives of this County be requested to bring the subject of these Resolutions under the notice of the Legislature.

To be continued.

The man that is too poor to take a paper, has bought a long, slab-sided dog, and bargained for a couple of bound pups.

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

[From our own Correspondent]

FREDERICTON, N. B., Feb. 17, 1854.

Mr. RICE, introduced a Bill to amend the Municipal Law in this Province.

Mr. McLEOD brought in a Bill to increase the Representation of Kings County.

An animated, and rather funny discussion took place, on a motion made by Mr. Kerr, that the House adjourned at one o'clock for dinner, and meet again at two. The motion was opposed by Partelow, Cutler, Smith and others.

SCOLLAR said he would have no objections to pass the Resolution if the Prohibitory Law was in existence, but under present circumstances, there was danger that some Honorable Members would indulge rather freely, and would not return at the hour named, other Honorable Members considered the reasons given by the last speaker, worthy of consideration.

Hon. Mr. CONNELL, and Messrs. Gilbert, Boyd, and Earl, would be willing to adopt any measure that would hasten the business of the Country, as they had come to the House ready and prepared for that purpose, and would support the resolution. The reasons given by some of the Anti-Temperance Members, was really laughable. They seemed to be afraid to trust themselves to adjourn at the hour named.

Honble. Mr. GREY playfully said, that the motion was irregular, and that it ought to be referred to the Committee of supply. Resolution lost 18 to 14.

Some progress made on the Codified Laws.

A long discussion took place on a Bill to repeal the Law, relative to the election of Parish Officers as far as it related to the County of Queen's, both the Members of that County gave the Bill their support.

Hon. Mr. CONNELL and Mr. English, thought if the Government had in the first place introduced a proper Municipal Bill for the Province, the difficulties complained of would have been avoided.

BOYD, came out man fashion in favor of Municipal Authorities, and referred Members to Carleton County as an example. The Bill passed as a majority of the Committee thought it merely local.

But the Members who are anxious to give free and enlightened institutions to the country, considered it a step or two in the wrong direction, it would have done any enlightened, and proper minded man good to have heard your Members speak on the subject, and Needham laid it down strong in favor of self-government. A person would imagine at times that the little man would fly from off the stool that he stands on, for the purpose of grasping liberal sentiments, in order to place them before Members; on the question being taken the Bill passed.

SATURDAY, February 18, 1854.

MR. ENGLISH brought in a petition to amend the Election Law.

MR. BOYD thought that a Bill for the Registration of voters ought to pass before a new election, and if Honorable Members had suffered as he had done, both in pocket and in mind for the last three years, they would exert themselves in favor of a new election law, embracing both a registration and vote by ballot.

DR. THOMPSON, who looks like a kind-hearted and benevolent man, said he would oppose any such innovation by the present House, as next year the Members of the New House, could bring the sentiments of their different constituents on the subject and act accordingly.

MR. ENGLISH was not surprised at what had fallen from Mr. Boyd, he would rather resign his

seat in the House than undergo what he did on Scrutiny Committee during two Sessions.

MR. EARLE would support any simple mode of registration, and was a little surprised that the Government had not introduced a Bill of the kind. Several Petitions were received against the present Liquor Law, and others in favor of a Prohibitory Law. The House was engaged for a short time in Committee of supply.

MONDAY, February 20, 1854.

Temperance, Anti-Temperance, and Orange Petitions received.

On a Petition being received relating to Post Offices, the Hon. Mr. Connell said, that when the House took up the subject of Post-Office in Committee, he would be prepared to introduce a measure to put a stop to the transmission of the mails on Sunday, and considered that the time had come when such should be done. Some progress made on the consolidated Laws. Street and Needham explained the course they intended to adopt in introducing the Bill. Smith and Johnston thought that the Commission had performed services that would be of advantage to the country, but Johnston said he did not feel disposed to bear much of the responsibility.

MR. PORTER, by motion, wished to alter the County Line of Charlotte, by adding a part of the Parish of Dumfries. Dr. Thompson supported the motion, but it was most strenuously opposed by McPherson, Needham and others.

TUESDAY, February 21, 1854.

Hon. Mr. Montgomery complained that papers from the other Provinces were not filed in the usual place for the information of Members.

MR. CUTLER said that the papers were ordered to be stopped last year on the recommendation of the Contingent Committee.

Hon. Mr. PARTELOW moved, that on Monday the 6th of March, the House do go into Committee of the whole, in consideration of ways and Means, for raising a Revenue. And also laid on the table a message relating to the Quebec and St. Andrew's Railway.

Capt. Robinson was surprised that he had not received information on the subject, previous to the message being laid before the House.

MR. SMITH observed that as Government Commissioners had been appointed last year, they ought to lay before the House a Report of the Proceedings of the Company.

Attorney General observed, that although Commissioners had been appointed to inspect the work, the Government had but little to do with it, as it was more of a private Company than otherwise.

Hon. Mr. CONNELL was surprised that the Hon. Attorney General called this a Private Company, when the Province had stock in it. He was sorry to find that in too many instances, hints had been thrown out detrimental to the Company, he considered it was in a healthy condition, and the stock he believed would be profitable, and second to none in the Province.

A number of Petitions received among the number one from John Leaster a half pay officer praying that a grant of two hundred acres of land may be made him.

Attorney General supported the motion. Smith thought the petition ought not to be received as the Petitioner had not the slightest claim on the Legislature.

Capt. Robinson said by half pay officers settling in the Province they spent their half pay here which was considerable, and thought that one such settler done more good to the Country than fifty Lawyers.