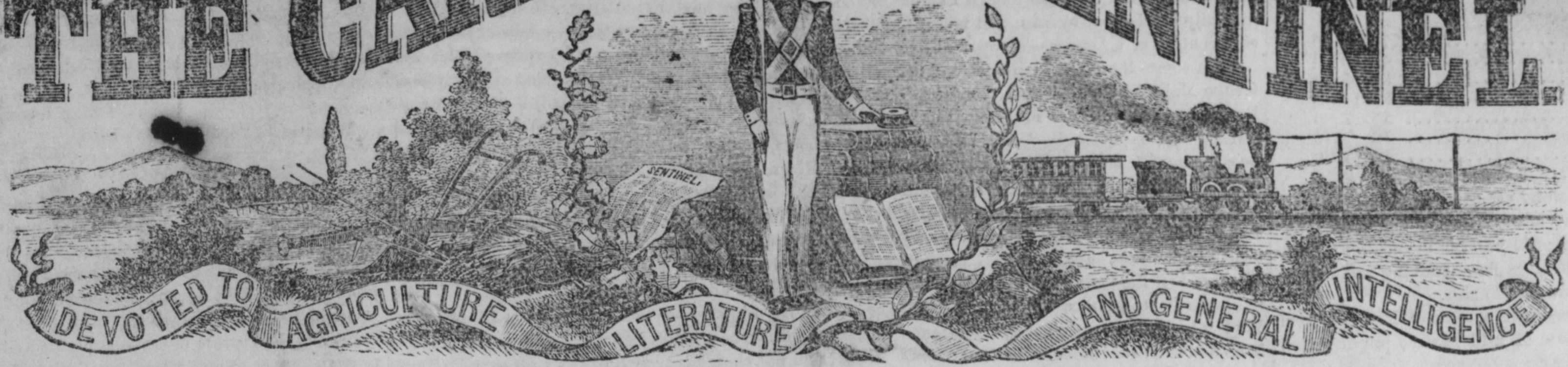


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Original Poetry.

For the Carleton Sentinel.
PROHIBITORY LAW LYRICS.
No. 1.

Raise the chorus, swell the song,
Loud and long the notes prolong,
Valleys catch the joyous strain,
Mountains echo back again,
Winds of winter, wild and free,
Bear the gushing melody,
Rum is chained, our land is free,
Virtue holds high jubilee.

Many a bitter sigh has gushed;
Now in joy the sigh is hushed,
Where dread discord late did dwell,
Songs of peace and love now swell,
Hearts and homes, late lone and sear,
Mantled now with pleasure are.
Rum is chained, our land is free,
Virtue holds high jubilee.

Dark despair to hope gives way,
As the gloom at morning-ray;
Woman casts away her fears,
As the monster disappears,
Men forsaking Bacchus' shrine,
Kiss to his sphere sublime.
Rum is chained, our land is free,
Virtue holds high jubilee.

Who that loves his God, his land,
Raises not a helping hand;
Who that has a heart to feel,
Joys not in the common weal;
His is a soul dark as night,
Who prays not God speed the right.
Rum is chained, our land is free,
Virtue holds high jubilee.

Raise the joyous chorus high,
Hear it earth, and hear it sky,
Childhood hush the notes of joy,
Manhood, all your powers employ,
Woman, type of purity,
Swell the gushing melody,
Rum is chained, our land is free,
Virtue holds high jubilee.

Woodstock, January 4, 1856.

Correspondence.

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To the Editor of the Carleton Sentinel.

DEAR SIR,—When I introduced a Petition to the Municipal Council praying for a Warrant of assessment on School District No. 2 in the Parish of Kent, I was not a little surprised to hear Mr. Kerr read a letter from Mr. William Squires, setting forth the proceedings of a School meeting held in the same District to consider the propriety of being taxed for the support of a School; also other things stated in connection with said Parish in which I consider he departed from the facts, I wish you to insert his letter, a copy of which I forward you, in the Carleton Sentinel, for the information of the people of this Parish.

Yours, &c.

MURPHY GIBERSON.

Kent, 16th January, 1856.

Kent, January 7th, 1856.

Mr. Robert Kerr,

Dear Sir,—You are probably aware that a large number of the inhabitants of this Parish is not represented in the County Council—the Councillors having been chosen by a family faction. You are also aware that measures, introduced and supported by both the members of any one Parish is very apt to be carried, so I have thought best to lay before

you a subject which I expect will be brought before the Council, one in which I am much interested.—The case is this: Mr. Murphy Giberson having a daughter just returned from the Training School, and wishing to get a School for her, the people not all being willing to employ her, applies for taxation; accordingly the meeting was called, the Trustees being Seth Squires, Isaac Broad and myself—the two former being present; but the law requires 10 inhabitants, rate-payers, to be present, which they could not number, after admitting Samuel and Joseph Giberson, who you are well aware, are not inhabitants in this Parish. Yet I have been informed that Giberson intends trying to do something at the Council, which has been the cause of me addressing these lines to you, hoping you will be kind enough to meet it if it is brought forward, as I can assure you it is a most unjust thing when them that voted cares nothing about it, if they had not been bought or canvassed by Giberson; and yet will also perceive that it is contrary to law, as there were but seven voters present, and Broad has taken the names of several young men that never payed rates, and has no property that any body knows of, so I, as a Trustee, enter my protest against it. And now, sir, if you will take an interest in the thing, if it should come up, you will confer a favour not only upon me but also upon several friends who are interested in the case.

Yours, with respect,
WILLIAM SQUIRES.

FOR THE CARLETON SENTINEL.

MR. EDITOR.—Our "January Court" has been in Session during the last week: quite a full attendance of the justices were present, and about the usual number of inhabitants of the County assembled on the occasion. The chief event of the week was the appointing of "Selling Agents," under the new Liquor Act. There were several applicants for the honour (?), and considerable debate on the question, the majority, seemingly, being in favour of the Honble. Mr. Justice Rice's motion, to have no "Selling Agents" whatever—but as the unanimous wish of the Bench evidently seemed to be desirous of strictly conforming to every Section of the law; it was finally moved in amendment, and unanimously carried, "that the further consideration of the question be postponed until the July Session, by which time the Court would have the benefit of the experience of other Counties in the working of the law as regards "Selling Agents." If not consuming too much time in your valuable columns, let me give you an outline of a few remarks which fell from the lips of some of the "Justices." One of the "Judges" spoke very feelingly and with the fervency and zeal of a "John B. Gough," distinctly warning the people that he would not be backward in sustaining the law, with his whole might, should any violation be brought under his notice. Another spoke of the tax, that would necessarily be laid upon the people in order to furnish means wherewith to purchase Liquors for "Selling Agents." A "Justice" consoled himself in this wise; that so far as "Liquor" was concerned, he didn't care that (snapping his fingers,) for it, that if he should possibly require any for medicinal, SACRAMENTAL or other purposes allowed by law, he could always procure it—yet he was for supporting the law strong, and would "go in" for no Agency. One of our French magistrates on learning that the County would be taxed for funds to purchase Liquors for the Agent, is said to have expressed himself in the following style:—"I see not spoke very good English, but best way no mans sell Rum, if de people she have to pay de taxes for buy Rum. Best laws, every body she do as she pleases. I want somethings drinks, go across River Yankee side, my neighbours she always give me some—I risk it, I not want any, every people's she

do same, dat's the best law, I think." Under the present arrangement our County Treasury will be deprived of, well about £100, which sum is generally paid in at this time for Licences—and still the same quantity of liquor will be consumed as heretofore, only a little slyly, but that slyness is gradually becoming less.

The first few days of January were very trying to some of us, who from many year's experience, had become thoroughly initiated with our accustomed drinks, and consequently looked for them as anxiously as ever. Oh! it was cruel to be deprived of our "eye opener," "morning," "bitters," "eleven o'clock," "four o'clock," and last, harder still, on retiring to bed, to miss our "Bonnet de nuit," which when "got up" in the shape of "hot whiskey punch" was "some."

INHABITANT.

Grand Falls, January 14th 1856.

Carleton Municipality.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING.

Court House, 11th January, 1856.

Council met—Warden in the chair.
Present.—Messrs. Clowse, M. Giberson, Cowperthwaite, Gallop, Wheeler, Carville, Bubar, Kerr, Weade, G. M. Giberson, Gray, Hemphill, Dibblee, Phillips, Hay.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.
On motion of Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Gray, Resolved, That the Secretary Treasurer make application to the Provincial Secretary for a copy of the Acts of the last Session of the Legislature, for each member of this Council, to be the property of the Municipality.

On motion of Mr. Dibblee, seconded by Mr. Hemphill, Resolved, That the Council proceed to apportion the amounts to be assessed upon the several Parishes, in order to discharge the several demands against the County.

On motion of Mr. Gray, seconded by Mr. Hemphill,

Resolved, That the amounts to be assessed on the Parishes of Woodstock and Richmond, shall be in accordance with the Assessment lists of the said Parishes for 1855; and that a Committee be appointed to ascertain the difference in valuation.

The Warden appointed Messrs. Carville, Kerr, and the Auditor.

On motion of Mr. Clowse, seconded by Mr. Gallop,

Whereas we, the Municipal Council of the County of Carleton, have heard that a Petition to the Legislature is in course of signature, for the establishment of a Boom above Fredericton, for the purpose of stopping Lumber passing down the River St. John, and being of opinion that should the prayer of said Petition be complied with, that it would greatly interfere with the navigation of the River with Rafts, and would be in other respects detrimental to the interests of persons engaged in the Lumbering business,—therefore

Resolved, That a Counter-Petition be made to the Legislature to prevent the erection of such Boom.

Mr. Gallop presented the draft of a Bye Law in reference to Paupers which he requested to have sanctioned by this Board.

On motion of Mr. Clowse, seconded by Mr. Phillips,

Resolved, That a warrant for £20 be issued to assess the Parish of Northampton for support of Poor for 1856.

Assessors fees 5 per cent, Collectors fees 5 per cent.

The Warden read a Petition from James Clarke, late Gaoler, asking an excess of 2s 6d. a week on

the criminals boarded by him, in addition to the 7s 6d. per week already charged, as the Council had allowed the present Gaoler 10s. per week.

On motion the Petition was rejected.
Mr. Clowse presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the Parish of Northampton, praying for the passing of a Bye-Law to prohibit Horses, Horned Cattle, Horses and Sheep, from running at large on the Highway between the North line of the said Parish of Northampton, and the South line of land owned by Edwin Dibblee, from the 20th day of April to the 20th day of October in each and every year.

On motion, ordered, That the prayer of the Petition be complied with and a Bye-Law prepared accordingly.

Mr. Bubar presented a list of Parish Officers for Brighton, which he asked to have confirmed.—Confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Clowse, seconded by Mr. Gallop,

Resolved, That this Council is of opinion that the Bye-Roads of this County would be much improved by having the Bye-Road grants placed in their hands in gross, to be appropriated under such regulations as this Council may deem proper; and that a petition of this Council be presented to the Legislature at its ensuing Session to that effect.

On motion of Mr. Gallop, Ordered that the subject of School District No. 5, Parish of Brighton, be taken up and disposed of, this being the day appointed for that purpose.

Mr. B. N. Richardson, Trustee of Schools for said Parish was heard in the matter. Mr. William S. Nevers was heard in the affair, Mr. Moses Orser, and Mr. Edward Orser were also heard, when

On motion of Mr. Hay, seconded by Mr. Kerr, Resolved, That the Trustees of Schools for said Parish, be requested to consider whether it would not accommodate the people at large by establishing a Line that would enable both parties to draw the Provincial allowance in the present mode of supporting Schools.—Carried.

The Auditor from the Committee appointed to investigate the Assessment lists of the Parishes of Woodstock and Richmond, reported as follows:—

That they have examined the Assessment Lists of both Parishes for the year 1855, and compared them with the joint list of 1853, when the two Parishes were assessed together. Your Committee observe that while the Assessors of the Parish of Woodstock have retained the valuation of 1853, those for Richmond have departed from it, so far as to make a reduction of about 20 per cent. Under these circumstances it would be necessary, in order to make up a correct estimate of the taxable property in each Parish to separate the names in the list of 1853, and take the valuation of that year.

The Committee have had the Councillors of the two Parishes before them, and it has been agreed that the appropriation of the County Tax shall be permitted to be levied at the rate of three pounds upon Woodstock and two pounds upon Richmond, with the express and distinct understanding that if when the names of the Woodstock and Richmond rate-payers are separated with the valuation of property upon the 1853 list, it shall appear that the proportion is not a fair one, the one Parish shall be held liable to the other to make good or pay back the over estimate.

The Committee recommend that this course be adopted by the Councillors of Woodstock and Richmond, and that such an agreement between them be ratified by the Council.

THOS. E. PERLEY,
S. J. CARVILLE,
ROBERT KERR.

11th January, 1856.

On motion ordered that the Report be accepted, and its recommendations carried into effect.