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TOWN COUNCIL.

The regular monthly meeting of the above body was held on Monday evening, His Worship Mayor Belyea in the chair, and all the councillors present.

The town treasurer reported that at the present time there was a debit bank balance of \$7433.44, over \$1,000 less than at the same time last year; during the month of May, the receipts were \$949.61, and the expenditures \$1532.42.

On motion the report was referred to the usual committee.

The marshal reported that during the month of May, for taxes, he had collected \$314.45, and, for licenses, the amount was \$12.

On motion the report was received and the usual order for commission on licenses, \$1.20, was drawn in favor of the marshal.

Coun R B Jones said at the last meeting of the board the petition of John Loane for a reduction of his taxes was handed to the finance committee. That committee had investigated the matter thoroughly and gave the result to Mr Loane, and he then asked to have his petition withdrawn.

On motion Coun Lindsay, seconded Coun Balmmain, the report was received and the request of Mr Loane, to have the petition withdrawn, was granted.

Coun Balmmain said the Council had instructed the fire committee to use its best judgment in purchasing the body for the new gear of Hose Cart No 2. The committee found that the old body was not as good as it was thought to be, so the committee gave the old body and \$30 to the Woodstock Carriage Co for a new body. The new cart cost \$120 and the gift of the old cart to the carriage company. Hose Co No 2 had now a better cart than No 1 Co had.

Moved Coun R B Jones, seconded Coun Lindsay, and ordered that J N W Winslow be requested to hand over delinquent tax list now in his hands, and the same be placed in the hands of the town solicitor, that he may proceed against delinquents, in order that action be taken before the legal time expires.

Coun R B Jones said that the delinquent tax list was now in Mr Winslow's hands and a large amount of money was uncollected. The bulk of this amount was on real estate. If some prompt action is not taken the legal time will expire, so that the property cannot be attached. The town has lost considerable money in past years by the expiry of the time limit and the carelessness in not having the property attached before that time.

Coun Dibblee, reporting on the proposed house for engineer, said Mr Munro had looked over the land owned by the town, and he thought Mr Hayden owned a more suitable piece of land for such a building. Mr Munro suggested that the town exchange a land with Mr Hayden. He (Dibblee) would interview Hayden and render his report at Friday's meeting of Council.

On motion the report was received and the committee was given an extension of time till Friday night.

The monthly bills were now read and referred to Finance committee.

As showing the vigilance of the chairmen of the different committees to keep within his appropriation, a discussion took place on a bill of Charlie Brittons for \$13.25. Coun Carr would not recommend the bill if it were charged to the street account; Coun G Balmmain would not recommend the bill, if it were charged to the fire account, as the chairman of the fire committee did not hire the man; Coun Lindsay suggested that Coun Carr, who engaged the man, should recommend the payment, which he finally did—but it must not be charged to the street account.

On motion Coun A E Jones, seconded Coun Lindsay, the tenders asked for by the poor committee were opened, and the committee would report at next meeting.

On motion Coun Lindsay, seconded Coun Balmmain, James Brewer was appointed a constable, and George Brown a pound keeper, his barn to be constituted a lawful pound.

Coun R B Jones noticed, by the treasurer's report, the expenditures made during the year in each department. He questioned each chairman if all the bills contracted had been presented. Some years ago, similar reports came in, but at the end of the year, the old bills began to come in, and the appropriations were overdrawn. Sometimes these reports are misleading.

Coun A E Jones—A few bills of the poor department may not be in yet, but no councillor makes it an object to have every bill in, at the monthly meeting. Probably it would be better not to hold an account longer

than one month if it can be avoided. Coun R B Jones—I want to find out if this is the exact expenditure.

A petition was read from ratepayers on Connell street, asking to have the sewers extended from E J Clarke's to Hamilton's house. A note, signed to the petition, from the superintendent, states that the cost would be \$290.

On motion Coun Lindsay, seconded Coun Dibblee, the matter was referred to the sewer committee.

Coun R B Jones, the chairman of the committee, said the board should decide the question now. There was only \$200 appropriated for sewers—this work would cost \$290. The accommodation would be for only two houses.

Coun Carr said the Council had instructed the street committee to put in a pipe and drain the tank at Lower Corner. If he carried out his instructions it would be at considerable expense. He thought it would be better to lay 100 feet of sewer, and the cost would be very little more than laying the pipe. Then connect the tank with sewer.

Coun Dibblee thought the suggestion was a good one. The only objection was that the sewer committee had not sufficient money to do the work, but the expense might be charged up to the miscellaneous or some other department. He would prefer having the sewer instead of spending \$100 to drain the tank.

Coun A E Jones would find no fault with running the sewer on the Houlton road if they had the money, but they did not have it. They did not know, having the sewer on the Houlton road, when the town would want to extend it; the pipe might lay there for years. But they had a real case before them: three ratepayers wanted \$290 expended on sewers on Connell street. These men would connect with sewer and pay the regular charge. They have already to pay their share of the interest on the sewer debentures. He was in favor, if possible, of granting the request of petitioners—far more in favor of it than running the sewer on the Houlton road.

On motion Coun Dibblee, seconded Coun Lindsay, the sewer committee was instructed to investigate the probable cost of connecting the main sewer pipe, on Main street, with the tank, and report at next meeting of Council.

The mayor read a communication from the Toronto Board of Trade, referring to the celebration of an Old Home Week.

On motion Coun Lindsay, seconded Coun Dibblee, the communication was answered by saying that the Town Council expresses its hearty approval of the movement for an Old Home Week, and will do all in its power to make the scheme a grand success.

On motion Coun Dibblee, seconded Coun Lindsay, the question of donating money for band concerts during the summer, was left to the following special committee, Couns Lindsay, Dibblee, Balmmain, to report upon at Friday's meeting.

Coun Dibblee said the question of an Old Home Week had been under consideration by the Board of Trade, of which he was a member. He regretted that more of the councillors were not members of the board. Another question handled by the board was the holding of summer concerts by the band on the town square. The board had interviewed the band and it could be engaged during the summer months at \$5 a night, but the board had no money for the purpose and it looked to the Council for financial assistance. These concerts were moves in the right direction. The neighboring town of Houlton had held similar concerts. The concerts would help the town by bringing people in from the country, and necessarily would benefit the merchants.

Coun Lindsay was in hearty accord with the views of the late speaker and he would go farther and say that an appropriation should be made every year, for band concerts, and included in the yearly estimates.

Coun Lindsay said that, acting on the instructions of the Council, he had rented the Town Hall to the Salvation Army for \$8 per month, the town reserving one night in the week, in case the hall may be needed by the hall committee.

Coun R B Jones had been served with a complaint from Francis Kelly that the banking used by Hose Co No 2 had been scattered on his premises, making it very unsightly. Coun R B Jones wished to call the attention of the fire committee to the fact.

Coun Balmmain—During the early sessions of this board, complaint was made that the assessment list was not in the hands of the officials early enough in the summer. I would like to ask the chairman what

progress had been made in the matter.

Coun R B Jones—I intended to make a statement this evening on the question, but I forgot it. I am pleased to say that the assessment roll is about completed, and I will have a final meeting of the assessors and officials in a few days.

Coun Carr wanted to know what was the correct salary of Mr. Colpitts as Scott Act Inspector.

Coun Balmmain—Coun Carr did not hear the secretary read the minutes of last meeting, which said the Inspector was hired for the balance of the year at the rate of \$200 per year.

Mayor Belyea—Mr Colpitts has not presented himself to be sworn in as yet, and that being so, his salary would not commence until that duty was performed.

The Council adjourned till this (Friday) evening.

RIFLE CLUBS.

The Dominion Government, by a recent Militia Order, has provided for the formation of Rifle Clubs, which, it is expected, will, to a large extent, obviate the difficulty experienced in the past in getting civilians to take an interest in rifle shooting. While civilians in the past have had the right to attend the Rifle Associations, yet these have been practically a military organization and in fact some matches only active militiamen have had a right to compete. Owing to the great impetus given to military matters by the participation of Canadians in the South African War, it was thought advisable to provide some practical instruction in rifle shooting which would reach all classes of people and thus give every person a chance to become educated in order to contribute toward the defence of the Country, if necessary, and we trust that a civilian's rifle club will be formed in this County at an early date. We have an excellent range, well equipped within a mile of the centre of the town, which was built by a special grant two years ago. We publish below a synopsis of the Militia Order providing for the formation of these clubs, as follows:—

There are to be two classes, viz: (a) Military formed in regiments and companies of the militia and managed by the officers; (b) Civilian formed by persons liable to serve in Reserve Militia and who while such members of rifle clubs are to be enrolled under the Militia Act; all rifle clubs are to be under the management of the inspector of musketry and controlled by the Militia Department; all names of those who assist in the organization of clubs to be submitted for approval. Each association must consist of at least forty men over the age of 16, and if not already members of the militia must take the oath of allegiance and be enrolled, and the formation shall be authorized from Ottawa; in case of a national emergency the members shall be deemed already enrolled for service. Every association must nominate a captain, who, with a committee of two members shall manage the club; the captain is responsible for the maintenance of order and discipline, and shall see that practice is carried out; associations may be supplied with rifles on furnishing a bond for their safe keeping; ammunition can be brought by members at the rate of \$15 per 1,000 rounds, and is issued free to the extent of 200 rounds per annum to military members and 100 rounds to civilian members; part of the ammunition so issued shall be expended on two successive days in October in each year as follows and a return of the practice sent to headquarters:—

First Day—7 rounds at 200 yards standing, 7 rounds at 200 yards kneeling, 7 rounds at 300 yards lying down.

Second Day—7 rounds at 200 yards kneeling, 7 rounds at 500 yards any position, 7 rounds at 600 yards any position, 7 rounds at 200 yards standing in one minute.

A return must be made to headquarters before showing the manner in which the free issue of ammunition has been expended; a member wishing to resign from any association must give three months' notice.

A set of rules is also published, which provide for entrance fees and annual dues; the latter must not be less than \$1. The business to be transacted by a committee consisting of a captain, secretary, treasurer and two members and such other officers as may be prescribed by the by-laws; there are also rules for meetings, matches, etc., and also that practice days of the club may be fixed; the money of the association, after payment of necessary expenses, may be used for providing prizes for the members; there may also be entrance fees for all matches, and conditions and regulations of the Dominion Rifle Association shall be observed. Bisley rules and marking to be employed.

ST. JOHN LETTER.

St John, June 3.

Dr Thomas H Andrews, who has conducted more than 4,000 post mortem examinations and who has seen more than 2,000 persons die, says "Nature is never so kind to a man as when she is severing the ties that bind him in this life. She removes all fear and smooths the pathway to the grave with kindly hands. The easiest thing in life is to die." He continued by saying that when death comes swiftly the fortitude that sustains its victim cannot be described. Men of profound thought are slow to accept the ministrations of clergy-men in the hour of death because they are not inclined to accept what cannot be demonstrated as a scientific fact, while the man of low intelligence yields at the first apprehension, and calls for religious consolation. Dr Andrews concludes that the fear of death disappears at its approach, that death is painless, that to die is merely to fall asleep. But he says that the men and women of the purest lives and strongest faith exhibit that fact most conspicuously in their dying hours and in a manner that tends to rob death of even the semblance of terror. We who have seen men, women and children die are convinced that age, illness and pain wear their victims from the world, and that in very many instances they welcome death, which weakness divests of pain, as a quiet slumber, undisturbed by any dreams.

Edward Conway, injured in a railway accident at Fredericton Junction last Monday, had an arm amputated here the following day. He was a brakeman in the employ of the C P R.

S J Eccles, a Westfield farmer, has hatched in his incubator 176 chickens out of a setting of 212 eggs.

A drunken man who attempted to clean out the orchestra at the Opera House, last Wednesday, because the music furnished was not up to his standard, after an interview with Judge Ritchie, has concluded not to set himself up as a musical critic hereafter.

Five herds of Galician immigrants passed through the city last Thursday.

James Rogan, in jail for threatening the life of his son-in-law, is supposed to be insane.

George S deForest & Sons report a decline in Manitoba flours of 10 cents per barrel and other variations in staples since last week as follows:—
Manitoba flours \$4.75 @ \$4.80 per bbl.
Split Peas 4 20 do
Dried apples 4 10 per lb.
Evaporated apples 6 10 do
Rice in sacks 31 do
" in half sacks 31 do
Laver Valencia raisins 81 do
Loose Muscatels 91 do
Canned apples, gallons, 2 20 per doz
" tomatoes 95 do
" corn 85 do
" peas 90 do
Large Cod 4 00 per cwt
Medium Cod 3 85 do
Pollock 1 75 do

This firm is receiving two car loads of granulated sugar from Hamburg in 224 bags which is finer and better color than the Acadia, which they quote at 4.50 per cwt.

Harry W deForest, proprietor of the Union Blend teas and general dealer in Indian, Ceylon and China teas is now fully established in his spacious warehouses at the corner of Market Square and Dock street, and his large staff of employees is busy night and day in the execution of the orders of his customers from all over eastern Canada and Maine.

Country merchants and ladies visiting the city will find a very pleasant and quiet home at Mrs Busby's, 105 Union street, near Oddfellows' Hall.

Habitual drunkards will hereafter be dealt with in the city court as vagrants.

The extension of the street railway to the Suspension bridge is under consideration.

Twenty five births, twelve deaths and three marriages were registered in the city last week.

EDWARD EDWARDS.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, May 31, 1901.

The return of the President found all the prominent men in Washington discussing the insular decisions of the U. S. Supreme court and arguing for and against an extra session of Congress, as a result of the decision that a tariff could only be collected on goods from Porto Rico by an act of Congress after it passed into the possession of the U. S., to impose a tariff upon imports from the Philippines. The President at once took the side of those who contend that the withholding of the decision in the Philippines case

made it obvious that the Supreme Court did not consider the case similar to that decided on the Porto Rican tariff, and that even if the same principle were applied, no extra session of Congress would be necessary, as the Spooner amendment adopted at the last session of Congress clothes the President with full authority to impose any sort of a tariff upon Philippine goods he pleases. There was an immediate falling off in extra session talk. The War Department has a new Philippine tariff all ready to be promulgated. Meanwhile Secretary Gage has announced that the Treasury Department will continue to collect duty under the Dingley tariff act on Philippine imports.

Much of the discussion of the insular decisions is so bound up in legal technicalities that it only seems to confuse the ordinary mind, but the fact that they uphold the right of the U. S. to own and control territory outside of the U. S. proper in any way that Congress and the President see fit, is admitted by all. How the decisions uphold that right were reached and the arguments in the opinions of the individual members of the court are, of course, matters of the deepest interest to Constitutional lawyers, but the general public is only interested in the actual effect of the decisions. There is much talk about the narrowness of the margin in the most important decision—5 for and 4 against—but that amounts to nothing. The decision is just as binding as though it had been unanimous, and close margins in important Constitutional decisions have been the rule, rather than the exception, in the Supreme Court for the last 70 years.

A wealthy Londoner, Mr. Henry Blood, who is now in Washington, has uncovered the secret of American success. He said: "I have discovered the secret of America's success. It is because you do things over here and don't take forever to think about it. An American will conceive a project and carry it into successful execution while an Englishman is debating on how he shall take the first step. England must copy some of the American methods of doing business if it hopes to keep up in the race."

Mr. G. W. Hill, Chief of the Division of Publications of the Department of Agriculture, believes that a small charge should be made for the books issued by that department, not to get the money, but because it would save an enormous waste caused by sending publications to those who make no use of them. Speaking of his idea, Mr. Hill said: "During the last fiscal year we published about 8,000,000 copies of our various documents. This was an increase of 900,000 over the previous year. The Congressional appropriation for the coming year stipulates that each Congressman shall receive 14,000 copies of each farmer's bulletin instead of the 8,000 he is now receiving. For next year, my lowest estimate of our publications is 11,000,000. At the present time many of our documents are wasted, carelessly thrown aside or misplaced. If paid for, even at 5 cents a piece, they would receive more care. The money received from the sale of the documents should be placed in a regular printing fund, to be expended for printing new bulletins. I have also suggested that each of our publications be sent to a library to be established at all fourth class postoffices. There are 60,000 of these, so even by that means, counting the increase which is bound to come, our books would receive a wide dissemination.

Public opinion strongly endorses Secretary Root's refusal to re-open the cases of the cadets dismissed from West Point for insubordination not only because the dismissal is generally believed to have been deserved, but because it is refreshing to see an executive official refuse to be controlled by political "pull."

Nothing could more strongly emphasize the improved conditions in the Philippines than the fact that the War Department is arranging to send 600 American teachers for the public schools to the islands in time for the opening of the next school year. These teachers will be selected by agents of the War Department and they will have to pay their own transportation to San Francisco. When they report there they will be put on half salary and given free transportation on government vessels to Manila. The idea prevails in the War Department that most of these teachers will be selected from the Pacific Coast States. Gen. Bird, the head of the government transport service, has promised to have them all in Manila by August 15.

Hardly a ripple of interest was created in Washington by the news

that the Cuban Constitutional Convention had accepted the Platt amendment, because ever since the visit of the Cuban delegates, some weeks ago, everybody had been satisfied that they would do so. It is hinted in official circles that there is no significance in the adoption of the resolution of acceptance by a majority of only one vote in the convention, as some of the delegates who voted against the resolution, merely did so for local political effect and after they knew that the resolution would be adopted.

A PROGRESSIVE FIRM.

From an interview with a gentleman connected with the firm, the SENTINEL gleaned the following information relative to the Carleton Creamery Company, doing business in the town. The company began making butter on May 7th. The skimming stations at Simonds, Silverdale, Pembroke, Florenceville, Jacksonton and Meductic were open on Friday, 30. The station at Tracy's Mills will make cheese this year. The receipts of milk at all stations was 27,271 pounds. For the week ending May 25, the make of butter was 500 pounds more than the corresponding week of last year, while the output in butter the four days of this week so far 3691 pounds exceeds last year, some time, by 1493 pounds. There has been an increase in the business, part of which is owing to the advanced season this year. Northampton station opened June 3rd and a new station is being put in at Rockland, Car Co. The company have put in a new combined churn and butter worker called the Simplex, taking out two churns to make room for it. It not only churns and works the butter but delivers it into a large tray ready to pack into the boxes. It will churn and work about 600 pounds at one time. A large oven head butter milk tank has been put in this season so that people who get buttermilk by the barrel can get through a hose controlled by faucet. The butter is put up for export in 56 pound boxes, ready for Liverpool through Montreal. The company employ fifteen hands besides milk haulers.

HAPPILY WEDDED.

A very popular marriage was solemnized in St. Luke's Church, at the early hour of six o'clock Monday morning. The contracting parties were Percy Graham, manager of the People's Bank, Hartland, this county, and Miss Cora Ethel Smith, youngest daughter of George F. Smith. Venerable Archdeacon Neales officiated at the interesting ceremony. The bride and groom were unattended. The bride, attired in a grey traveling suit, at the appointed hour, came up the middle aisle, accompanied by her father and the choir rendered "The Voice that Breathed O'er Eden." The newly wedded couple took the early morning train for St. John, on a honeymoon trip of a fortnight to the leading Canadian cities including Montreal and Quebec. They will reside at Hartland.

Carleton County Agr. Society.

The directors of the above society met in special meeting, at the Registry Office, at 3 p.m., on Saturday of last week.

Those present were the president, J R Brown; the secretary, J R Murphy; and Messrs John Connor, C P Bull, Hugh E Gallagher, Stephen Peabody, John S Leighton, Sr, John J Rogers and Henry B Smith.

After the minutes were read and approved it was moved by J R Murphy seconded by John Connor, that the Houlton Agricultural Society, and farmers living in the vicinity, be allowed to compete at the Exhibition to be held here in September next, on the same condition as residents of New Brunswick.

This was the only business transacted, and the meeting adjourned.

The prize list is completed and will be in the hands of the printers at an early date.

Gallagher Bros have given a special prize for Baron Almatier sucking colts, at the Fall Exhibition. The amount will be \$30—\$15 to first, \$10 to second, \$5 to third.

Universal sorrow and regret will be felt at the sudden death of Dr Harry Gregory, a physician just in the prime of manhood, and with the promise of a bright career in his profession. A gentleman of pleasing manners, high personal character, and much ability as a physician, Dr Gregory had a very large circle of friends and admirers, who will drop a silent tear at the announcement of his death.—Fredericton Herald.