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WHOLE No. 2924.

TOWN COUNCIL.

The mayor and a full board of councillors attended the Council meeting on Friday evening of last week.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. Dibblee, the board went into a committee of the whole to investigate the rumors of a dereliction of duty on the part of Night Watch Kelly during the late fire in the Lindsay building on Main Street.

Before summoning witnesses, Coun. Lindsay asked if there was any charge preferred against the night watch. If there were none, it appeared to him unnecessary to go into an investigation. The folks who owned the destroyed building should be interested in the case more so than others, and there was no kick coming from them.

Coun. Dibblee said the suggestions made at last meeting by Coun. R. B. Jones, touching the probable negligence of duty on the part of the night watch, were serious ones, and the night watch should be given an opportunity to prove that he was on duty. The investigation should be thorough in justice to the citizens of the town.

Mayor Belyea—There has been no charge preferred, but the rumors should be cleared up.

The Council then had the captain of the Salvation Army before it as a witness, whose evidence was in substance the same as given in Coun. R. B. Jones' remarks in last week's SENTINEL; John Brown and D. O. McIntosh told of the thorough examination of the building, from the outside, about 1 o'clock, when they saw smoke but could not discover any fire.

The night watch gave an account of where he was during the hours of the night; that he and the other watchman, McIntosh, were in Carr & Gibson's store, on Main Street, when the captain of the Salvation Army drove by; that he was in the engine room a couple of minutes after the captain first sounded the bell; that he sent in the fire alarm, and had the hose laid, with the assistance of the driver, when Chief Tattersall and the other firemen arrived.

On motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. R. B. Jones, the committee arose and the mayor was instructed to report to the Council that a full investigation had been held and the committee exonerated Night Watch Kelly from all blame in the matter.

Mayor Belyea said it was one of those unfortunate coincidences that, while the night watch was at lunch, the smoke of the supposed fire was just noticed. Mr. Kelly had fully proved to the committee that he was thoroughly alive to his duties; he (Kelly) admitted it was thoughtlessness on his part, when informed by McIntosh that an hour or two before he (McIntosh) had noticed smoke, that he did not proceed to the building himself, but neither McIntosh or Brown could discover any fire at that time. While going to his lunch he (Kelly) was still on duty for he was taking the regular beat toward the lower part of the town.

Coun. R. B. Jones said he had made no charges against the night watch, but the rumors were abroad, and the most satisfactory way to clear them up was for the night watch to account for his whereabouts on the night of the fire. This he had done and his evidence was satisfactory, and he (Jones) was more than pleased at the way the thing had terminated.

Coun. R. B. Jones, chairman of the finance committee, said the petition of Treasurer Garden for an increase of salary, owing to an increase in the work, had had the committee's careful consideration, and it could not recommend the increase, in view of the fact that other good men would do the work of treasurer for the present salary.

The report of the committee was received and approved.

D. O. McIntosh, Edward Boatreau and James Woolverton were appointed constables and members of the police force.

On motion of Coun. Lindsay, the wood and bark surveyors of last year were continued in the same positions for the present year.

Coun. Lindsay said that at last meeting Coun. Dibblee asked the board to take into consideration the encouragement of new manufacturing. Three years ago an Act was passed giving a bonus for the erection of a pulp mill. He moved, seconded by Coun. Dibblee, that the town clerk give the proper notice to amend that Act so that it may apply to any manufacturing. He had noticed in western towns where a bonus was given, that, sometimes, the company after getting the bonus

would remove its plant to other towns, but this Act, a section of which he read, safeguards the town, for the company has to remain in the town twenty years.

Coun. Dibblee said some rate-payers are opposed to granting a bonus while others favor the scheme, but it has come to the time that the town must do something to encourage its growth and get more of a population. Other towns are giving bonuses for the establishment of new industries, and why not this town? amending the Act, might do good; it cannot do harm. They had lots of hardwood, and a factory could be established to manufacture that wood into different articles. What the town wanted was more population—5,000 or even 1,000 more would be a great advantage—and the town will not go ahead until it gets that increase.

Coun. R. B. Jones agreed that something should be done and what is needed mostly is a larger population, which should be had, considering that the county was second to none in the Province. He was born and lived in this town always and he never saw so many teams passing through the town with produce as he had this winter. The county is prosperous, and the town should progress also.

The motion was carried unanimously.

On motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. Balmmain, the poor commissioner was instructed to take the necessary steps to have sufficient wood cut from off the poor farm, to supply the poor of the town.

Coun. Dibblee said they had a farm with lots of wood and it was strange that they could not get enough wood to supply the poor. He thought the poor commissioner should see that it was done for he was satisfied that enough wood could be procured to not only supply the wants of the poor, but the firemen as well.

Coun. A. E. Jones said he had now a machine cutting wood on the farm. Dry wood was needed now by the poor, and no man could supply that wood from the farm, he would like to change places with Coun. Dibblee, and he would take the water works, giving that gentleman an opportunity to conduct the poor department.

Coun. Burt said the wood could be cut, at the farm, for 80 or 90c., and 50c would yard it. It would pay to have it cut and, if the wood is there, have it brought down.

John C. Gibson, the poor commissioner, was heard before the board on the subject.

On motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. R. B. Jones, an order was drawn on the treasurer, in favor of the poor commissioner, for \$25, the money to be drawn from treasurer, when needed by the commissioner, to purchase wood for the poor, Coun. Balmmain voted nay.

The monthly bills were read and ordered paid.

On motion Coun. Dibblee, seconded Coun. Burt, the assessors for the year are Charles Comben, principal assessor, Harry Nash and Henry W. Bourne, the former to receive \$90, and the two latter \$25 each.

On motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. Balmmain, the first order of business, at the March meeting, after reading the minutes, will be to take up for consideration the estimates for the year.

On motion the Scott Act Inspector is to be paid quarterly.

On motion Coun. Lindsay, seconded Coun. Dibblee, in future any money collected by the Scott Act Inspector for S. A. fines is to be handed over to the treasurer, and any bills he may contract are to be presented to the Council in the regular way.

On motion of Coun. Dibblee, seconded by Coun. Balmmain, an order for \$91 was drawn in favor of the Sec-Treas. of Carleton county being a refund of money collected from the contractor of the county jail, for licenses and water, and the same is to be charged up to the different committees.

Coun. Dibblee said that last fall, at the close of the year, the town received from contractor Maxwell \$56 for licenses charged his workmen and \$35 for water used in the construction of the jail, at the last meeting of the County Council the sum mentioned was refunded the contractor by the County Council. It appears that the building committee had an agreement with the contractor that no licenses would be charged his workmen by the town, and with that understanding, he accepted the contract and proceeded with the work. The Town Council, knowing nothing of such an agreement, collected the sum of \$91. The whole transaction was unfortunate for had the building committee come to this board, and made known

its wishes, we would have exempted the contractor from the payment of the amount. From the remarks of members at the County Council, it appeared our action had a tendency to create bad feelings; this should not be, for we must remember the county could get along without the town but the latter could not progress without the county.

Coun. Balmmain said if the town had been approached in the right way, there would have been no difficulty. The County Councillors for the town had told the contractor there would be no charges whatever, and he took them at their word. At that time this board did not want to be bulldozed in the matter, and the remarks of the County Councillors were uncalled for.

Mayor Belyea thought that the town representatives at the County Council were to blame; the least they could have done was to ask the town not to collect the licenses from the men and to give the contractor free water, and he felt at the time that this board was not being treated properly.

Coun. Burt said that the motion was proper as far as the water tax was concerned, but he was not sure about the license part, as he thought the residents of Grafton had to pay a license although they spent all their money in the town.

Coun. Lindsay said the law requiring the residents of Grafton to pay a license had been repealed several years ago. The members of this board err when they say councillors, from the town to the County Council, were the cause of the trouble. One councillor caused all the trouble. That gentleman was elected to do county business but it appears he wanted to run the business of the town as well. He (Lindsay) heard that gentleman say at the County Council that some of the town councillors promised not to collect the license and to give free water, but he (Lindsay) did not believe the gentleman could name one town councillor who made such promises. The board should do everything possible for peace, but some busybodies in town have been doing all they can to stir up strife between the town and county.

Coun. R. B. Jones—The County Councillors not only assumed that we would not collect the license, and give free water, but they made no effort to see us, but forced us to run after them. As chairman of the finance committee, County Councillor Saunders did not think it worth while to consult me on the matter.

The Council then adjourned.

Wicklow And Simonds S. S. Convention.

A Very Profitable Session.

Last Tuesday, Wicklow and Simonds Parish S. S. Convention was warmly welcomed by Pastor Allen and the people of Summerfield in the comfortable Methodist church. One of the objects of Parish S. S. work is to aid weak and to endeavour to resuscitate dormant schools. Summerfield school having been closed for some time was considered a good field for work.

Revs. Allen, Methodist; Hayward, Baptist; Fiske, Presbyterian; Bubar, Ref. B., and Gregg, F. B., pastors in the parish were present and showed by their earnest addresses and exhortations that no community is doing its duty by itself unless it has a well-ordered and well-attended Sunday School; especially could no church afford to be without this very important attachment.

Rev. M. L. Gregg had charge of the meeting in the absence of its President, reading portions of 119 Ps. and Matt. 5 and making and drawing from others, comments upon the helpful nature of the Scripture taught. The thought was emphasized that it was our duty to be interested in S. S. work; a responsibility to be shouldered manfully, something we can't shirk even if only a very few carry on the work, and moreover, a blessed privilege and must be shared in by one desiring to make the most of himself as a Christian.

Rev. Hayward with his usual welcome vigour told of his love for the S. S. where God's law was taught to those who are the hope of the nation, the boys and the girls; spoke very earnestly upon different phases of the work and of the mistake we make when we consider our "sacrifices" for the youth of our land.

Rev. Fiske advocated the stopping of the flow of evil by filling up with the good—God's law. Scripture inspires, fortifies and helps and strongly emphasized the fact that no one can afford to be without Bible study; much valuable historical knowledge

was lost and the Spiritual loss was greater.

The Parishes have about a dozen schools on their list and nearly all reported. In every Sunday School there is always "the faithful few."

Tracey Mills, F. B.; Florenceville, Baptist; Greenfield, Presbyterian; and Royalton Ref. Baptist; are always evergreen and are in good running order; one, for years evergreen, is suspended for a few weeks. Some of the others are closed from epidemics in the place; the rest are summer schools, which are open from 6 to 10 months yearly.

Rev. A. L. Bubar prepared the way for Rev. Fiske's normal address by calling attention to the fact that to attain most satisfactory results in any department of work or study, system was needed. Since all civil and social law is founded upon religious law, it follows that we need careful and intelligent instruction concerning Bible truth, of which the Holy Spirit is the Author and Interpreter. Normal work is supposed to give systematic arrangement of Bible study.

Rev. D. Fiske gave the meeting comprehensive ideas of what normal work was; the division of the Bible into books, into periods; its history of prominent persons; the administration, the ancient ceremonies; the geography of the country, etc., and reminded the audience that the dignity of christian work demands that we prepare carefully and systematically in order to be properly informed on this most useful study.

Vice-President, E. L. West, led the S. S. lesson for the following Sabbath.

The yearly election of officers resulted in the selection of Rev. M. L. Gregg as Pres. with a staff of assistants, representing nearly all schools in the parishes.

The devotional exercises in both sessions were participated in by a goodly number and were a helpful feature of the meeting, which was earnest and enthusiastic throughout, and in response to a request by E. L. West as to the opening of a S. S. immediately in Summerfield a number arose, largely young people, signifying their anxiety and willingness to see a school started at once.

Abundant music was furnished by the choir and a generous collection given in aid of Parish S. S. work.

The next Convention will meet in Knoxford Free Baptist Church the 3rd Tuesday in March. Please remember the date.

ST. JOHN LETTER.

There was a sort of elemental war here last Sunday and Sunday night, which was the first of its kind for several years. For about 36 hours the wind's velocity exceeded 60 miles an hour; the snow fell almost incessantly, but to what depth it is hard to say for in many places the ground is quite bare, while in others the drifts are quite ten feet deep. A good many chimneys were blown down, and a good many signs, and several buildings were unroofed, but nobody, so far as the writer knows, met with any personal mishap.

The shipping in the harbor rode out the storm bravely and the Street Railway Company, after keeping their cars and sweepers on the tracks all night, were ready to convey their patrons to their places of business on Monday morning, just as usual. The storm has been a reminder of "the good old times" to which some of us look back with regret. The writer remembers how some 18 years ago main street, from Indian town to the city was blocked for days with drifts from five to fifteen feet deep, and how some twenty-five years ago he walked from Port Hood to Port Hastings, Cape Breton, over drifts from fifteen to thirty feet deep. Since then such storms have never occurred here, though the one of Sunday and Sunday night recalled them very vividly.

Steamer Aleides, stranded in the harbor a few days ago, was found to have small pox on board. Her officers and crew are in quarantine on Partridge Island and the vessel has been got into a safe position.

Ice and snow drifts make pedestrianism in the city very dangerous.

The dry dock is materializing and work on the structure will probably begin in the spring.

Another cargo of hay and another of horses will be despatched from this port to South Africa shortly.

There were 736 deaths in the city last year against 776 in 1900.

Business is brightening somewhat since the disappearance of small pox in the city, while prices of staple goods generally are subject to few fluctuations. George S. de Forest & Sons quote:—

Manitoba flour, \$4.90 per bbl
Ontario patents 4.20 do
Ontario mediums \$4.10 do

Oatmeal	5.50	do
Cornmeal	3.25	do
Pot Barley	4.80	do
Split Peas	4.85	do
Clear Pork	23.00	do
Mess Pork	21.00	do
Ex. Plate Beef	15.50	do
Plate beef	15.00	do
Beans	1.65	per bus
Standard Gran. Sugar	4.05	per cwt
Austrian in bags	3.95	do
No 1 yellow	3.45	do
Bright yellow	3.75	do
Codfish large	3.75	do
Codfish medium	3.60	do
Pollock	1.90	do

Smoked Herring	98	per box
Rice	63	per lb.
Cheese	10 1/2	do
Choice Butter	23	do
Evaporated apples	10 1/2	do
Dried	6 1/2	do
Lard	12 1/2, 12 1/2	do

P. R. molasses, ex choice	22	per gal
Barbadoes	29	do
High grade American oil	18	do
High grade Canadian oil	17	do
Medium	16 1/2	do

Three boilers, weighing 78,000 pounds, have been made by the Messrs Fleming for the Crushing box factory.

Steamer Lake Ontario, from Liverpool with 500 passengers, arrived in port last Friday.

It looks as if the commissioners of the general Public Hospital would succeed in burking the investigation into their doings demanded by Mrs. Trombly.

There were 254 cases of infectious disease in the city last year, 47 of which resulted fatally.

Diphtheria	78	cases,	16	deaths.
Scarlet fever	37	"	1	"
Measles	27	"	1	"
Typhoid fever	15	"	6	"
Small pox	97	"	23	"

Orders for teas (mostly Union Blend) to the amount of \$2,264 pounds have been received by Harry W. de Forest during the last two weeks. This is a record sale, due to good goods, low prices and judicious advertising.

EDWARD EDWARDS.

St. John, Feb. 8th, 1902.

News From The Country.

Kirkland.

Feb. 10th.

The snow storm, on the 2nd inst., was unusually severe in this locality; barns have been unroofed and the roads badly drifted. Last week was raw and blustery—typical February weather.

Miss Lavina Kennedy has been visiting her sister in Littleton, Me.

Mrs. C. McDougall and Miss H. Bell were visiting last week.

The monthly meeting of the Mission Band of Kirkland and Eel River was held at the Maunse on Saturday afternoon the 1st inst. There was a good attendance of the boys and girls. For some time past they have been studying "Our Mission Work in Korea." Mrs. F. Murchie, vice president, presided at the meeting.

Waterville.

Jan. 10, 1902.

We are pleased to hear that Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Palmer are both recovering.

The roads are in a very bad condition. Traffic is almost impossible. The schools, under the management of Mr. Knox, at the "Corner" and Miss Wiley, at the "Creek," are well attended.

H. has his "Bronc" under the management of "Aaron's rod."

Arthur DeGrass and Harry Lipsett spent a few days last week visiting "Uncle Sam's Territory." They report business on the move.

Messrs C. A. Plummer and D. McDan are carrying on a large lumber business. The want of snow has rather retarded their work.

Kit Kite thinks being "green" in mid winter is "too bad." Not so bad, Kit Kite, as being "evergreen." Some people claim that the Moon is made of green cheese. Ah Shaw!

We don't believe it, probably the prophet Kit Kite, can give us some information.

Mr. L. Seeley is recovering rapidly from quite a serious illness. Mrs. Seeley is quite ill at present.

As soon as the young lady, who is literally inclined, has got through with the study of "Homer," she will be sufficiently advanced, to take a few lessons from Kit-Kite, on the Moon.

Kit-Kite, keep out of sight, For your items are a fright.

Riley Brook.

Feb. 3rd, 1902.

Terrible storm of snow and wind last night. Snow beautifully piled up in drifts 6 and 8 feet high. Highest wind known here for some time. Also a slight shock of earthquake was felt here this morning.

Rev. C Daggett held service in the Presbyterian Church here Sabbath afternoon, 3 o'clock, after his return from visiting Mr. Hale's Camps; he reports a very pleasant trip in the forest and is feeling benefited in health. He left here this afternoon for his home in Hartland. Conveyed, to P. Rock by Mr. H. G. Howard, in company with Mr. F. Hale, Mr. H. Jackson, Mr. Taylor and Robert Faulkner.

Mrs. Jessie Vanderbeck storm staid at the Harmony last night; she is looking and feeling well, with the exception of a slight cold.

A short call from Mr. J. J. Hale and Mr. L. T. Joudry this morning.

2nd February, Candlemas Day, good omen for the fisherman; if the ground hog was smart he might have seen his shadow at 10.30 a. m.

Mrs. W. Tapley, who has been at Perth a few days, returned to her home here on Thursday.

We hear that Mr. J. Till is about breaking up his lumber operation.

Robbie Faulkner, a son of Mr. G. Faulkner, foreman in camp for Mr. Hale, went down river to-day with a badly scalded foot; his home is Windsor.

Mr. Taylor, painter, who has been working for Mr. Faulkner, has gone home with a very sore back.

Mr. J. Hall, commercial man, has been here since the 29th; perhaps he is trying to undermine Barney; don't think he can, as Barney is adding weekly to his now well filled store.

ONE INTERESTED.

Grand View.

Feb. 10.

Ten days of February are about gone and in that time something over two feet of the beautiful (so called) has fallen, giving us quite a sufficiency for general purposes. The storm and gale of the 2nd was the leader of the season and although very terrific did no particular damage, simply changing the position and condition of the woodshed in connection with the schoolhouse; it don't look to be any more convenient than it was before.

Woster Cronkite is home from the Tobique for a few days.

J. N. Grant, who spent the most of his time at Deer Lake, the scene of his lumber operation, spent Sabbath at home.

Quite a number have been sick hereabouts, but are convalescent, with the exception of John Turner, Jr., whose recovery is not expected.

W. S. Tompkins has gone to Ontario to spend some time in endeavoring to enlighten the farmers on the subject of agriculture.

The question is asked by some, where is Grand View. It is the most picturesque locality along the river frontage of Southampton, York Co., in which is located two stores, in which may be found, at any season of the year, well selected stocks of groceries, dry goods, fancy articles, paints, oils, hardware, and all the sundries necessary to make up well equipped country stores.

Two churches, P. B. and R. B. respectively; blacksmith shop, school house, in which school is run all the year round, year in and year out, and from which has issued as many school teachers as from any other country school in the county; hotel, under the management of Mrs. G. W. Brown, where you may reckon on a toothsome meal, and a comfortable night's lodging, if needed.

Arthurette.

Feb. 4.

Mrs. Robert Torrance, who has been ill since early in December, died on Thursday last. At first hopes were entertained of her recovery, but at a consultation by Drs. Coffin and Wiley, on Tuesday last, the decision was that medical skill was of no avail. The deceased was married about 14 months and left an infant a few months old. Much sympathy is expressed to the family. The remains were interred in the Episcopal burying ground on Sunday, Rev. J. R. Hopkins preaching from Jonah, fourth chapter, seventh verse.

Mrs. Ralph Briggs of Sisson Ridge, who has been a great sufferer for over twenty years, died at her home on Friday morning. The funeral took place on Monday at Three Brooks, services held by Rev. Campbell of Andover.

Parties are getting through the winter's work quite early this year. Percy Edgar, who has been putting in by the thousand for Jas. McNair, finished over a week ago; and another party putting in at Beaver Brook for the same operator, will have about 6,000 logs in, in two weeks more.

Candlemas Day was of the kind to rejoice the heart of those who take stock in the old Scotch saying:—

"If Candlemas day be clear and fair,
The half o' winter's to come, an' mair;
If Candlemas day be dark an' foul,
The half o' winter's by at Yule."

The sky was clouded, and the afternoon was a regular last century snow storm and the wind was such as was never known in this section.

John Aitken, of Trout Brook, is quite ill and confined to his bed.

"A."

Mr. Kraft—Ah, but I think you do. Now, there's that.