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Canada Should Find Out the Extent of Her Resources.

More knowledge is urgently needed as to Canada's timber resources—knowledge as to the extent of these forests, the amount of timber in them, the rate of growth and all the other particulars which must be known in order to enable those in charge to know how much timber it is safe to cut without cutting into the growing stock of the forest. Forestry experts themselves have so far had to depend to a great extent on conjecture in estimating even the acreage of the forests.

It will pay Canada to take stock of her resources now and use these with intelligence and foresight. The people of the United States are beginning to realize that they have been too prodigal in using up their resources, and the keynote of the work of their "Conservative Commission" has been the "taking stock" of the resources of the republic as to forests, mines, soil and water (both as a source of power and as means of using them). The Commission was appointed by President Roosevelt in May last at a meeting of the governors of the several states, scientific experts and commercial leaders, and during the second week of December last, the reports of the summer's work in computing the national resources were presented at another similar conference.

Canada may well take warning and, before her national wealth is wasted to any great extent, provide for its economical use. But the first step is to find out just how much there is. Accounts are brought from time to time of great forests existing in Canada's northland, especially along the banks of the great rivers. These accounts are given by travellers whose routes have lain along the water-courses, where the heaviest timber naturally lies. Accounts from other travellers who have gone some distance from the banks of the streams indicate that in the drier regions the timber becomes much smaller and more scattered.

To obtain definite and comprehensive knowledge of timber estimating should be sent out to traverse the entire country, that at some distance from the streams as well as that along the water-courses. Full and accurate reports from these men would do much to clear up the hazy notions now held as to the resources in timber of the less-known parts of Canada, just as was the case with the exploring parties sent out by the Ontario Government to Northern Ontario in 1900.

Greenfield.

Mr and Mrs Samuel Ritchie, were visiting friends in Andover and

Bairdsville last week. While there they attended court and heard the trial of the Italians convicted of the murder of Green.

Mrs Martha Kirkpatrick, is spending a couple of weeks with Mrs Chas Walker of Forest Glen.

Joe Ritchie and daughter, Lena, were visiting friends at Riverdale, recently.

W Wincott attended the Basketball at Florenceville Friday night.

We are glad to report that Jennie Wakem is recovering from a very severe attack of pneumonia and pleurisy, having undergone an operation very successfully performed by Dr Field assisted by Dr Cummins of Bath.

Miss Isabel Antiworth who has been in poor health for some time is recovering under the skillful treatment of Dr Peppers.

John Wakem and James Kenney, are hauling cement for J Bohan.

Herbert Jameson was the guest of Miss Kelly on Friday and Saturday. Look out Robbie for the man with one arm.

The "sewing guild" meets this week at the home of Mr: H W Antworth.

Good bye you may hear from me again.
RED WING.

South Newbridge.

We are very sorry to hear the death of our Editor N Foster Thorne.

Some of the men and teams of this place, are hauling logs for McElroy. Robbie McLaughlin hauling the largest loads and Nelson Hillman comes next.

Mr and Mrs Howard Tompkins and their daughter, Miss Sadie, took a very pleasant drive to church last Sunday evening, also Miss Helen and master Claire accompanied by John Graham.

Frank Berryman is working in town on the school house.

Alfred Murphy, who has been laid up with rheumatism, is recovering.

William Sibley and son, John, are finishing hauling their hay.

Mrs Gordon Harvey is teaching our school in this place, giving perfect satisfaction.

Tommy Graham is doing a rushing business hauling logs.

Herbert Tompkins is hauling cordwood to Woodstock.

John Graham makes his usual trips to the home of Howard Tompkins.

I wonder why?

Michael McSheffery is still on the sick list.

J Albert Hayden is still running his mill in the swamp, employing quite a number of men and teams, some of which are hauling lath through this place.

VOICE OF SPRING.

COUNTY COUNCIL.

March 9th.

A special meeting of the Council of the Municipality of Carleton was called to order at 10 a. m. The following Councillors were present, Warden Shaw in the chair:—
Aberdeen—D H Lamont, E S Gillmor.
Brighton—C J Connolly, Allen Bradley.

Kent—John Keenan, J E Kinney.
Northampton—Alex Brown, H A Phillips.

Peel—Will Tompkins E W Millville.

Richmond—Alex Bell, J M May.
Simonds—W C Rideout, Odbur Shaw.

Wakefield—T R Shaw, A G Bell.
Wicklow—W J Owens, C Estey.

Wilmot—J T Williams, R B King.

Woodstock Parish—F B Bull, John Flemming.

Woodstock Town—W Balmain, J R Brown, H D Stevens.

The Secretary-treasurer said that the Warden had requested him to state the conditions under which the meeting had been called. The Warden had received a requisition properly signed asking the clerk to call this special meeting. He sent notices to each of the councillors. Their duties at this time were to make arrangements to borrow money not to exceed \$35,000, then to accept the plans, and to give instructions to the building committee to proceed immediately to erect the court house.

Coun H A Phillips reported as follows:—

Mr Warden, Municipality of Carleton.

The building committee beg to submit the following report. The committee has received plans and specifications for Court house from the following architects: H H Mott and F H Brodie, of St John; W E Reid, of Riverside, N B; W I Kirk, of New York and James Drysdale, of Woodstock.

Mr Mott's plans are for a common house attached to record office. Estimates \$35,000, price of plans 3 per cent of cost of building.

Mr Brodie's plans are: one for a court house attached to record office.

Estimates, \$24,000; another for separate building, estimates \$28,000.

Cost of plans 3 1/2 per cent cost of building.

James Drysdale's plans are for separate building. Estimates \$14,000. Price of plans 3 per cent cost of building.

Mr Reeds plans are for separate building. Estimates from \$38000 to \$40,000. Price of plans and superintending constructing of building. Five per cent of building.

Mr Kirks plans are for separate building. Estimates \$7000. Cost of plans 3 per cent total cost of building.

H A Phillips chairman.

It was moved by Coun J Rankin Brown, seconded by Coun John Williams, that the plans of Mr Brodie of St John be accepted. Carried.

The council have asked for an appropriation of \$35,000 for the new building.

Coun Phillips said that the building committee had given much consideration to the different plans submitted, and no recommendations other than that the new building should be attached to the Record office.

On motions of Coun Williams, the report was received.

Coun Melville—On the 23rd Feb, as a member of the building committee, I came to Woodstock and we met Architects Mott, Brodie and Drysdale. We found that the Record building has been placed nearly in the center of the county lot, leaving us only 87 feet to the north line.

Mott's plans were for an attached building, with a 26 foot privilege and running back 90 or more feet. We thought then of recommending Mott's plans. Mr Brodie has since furnished another plan also for an attached building. In my opinion there are only two plans from which to make a selection, as Mr Drysdale's plans called for a detached building and did not give the necessary fire protection.

Coun Balmain—Have the building committee specifications placed in their hands beside the plans?

The Warden—Only from Mr Drysdale.

Coun Melville—We were informed that it meant much work to give specification, but of course these would be furnished to the building committee by the gentleman whose plans were accepted.

Coun Stevens—Messrs Mott, Brodie and Drysdale have submitted statements explaining their plans.

Coun Stevens read a letter from F B Brodie explaining his plans.

Coun Tompkins—We have come

here to listen to the committee, and will no doubt accept their report. I would like to have all the information the committee has. There is no necessity to hear either Mr Mott or Mr Drysdale, for that would be putting Mr Brodie at a disadvantage as he is not present.

The warden said that the committee had given the plans much consideration but they felt that it would be better if the council had a free hand in choosing the plans.

On motion of Coun Stevens, H H Mott was heard before the board.

H H Mott—I must confess that I always make a study of the situation before I submit plans for a building. In this case I looked over the ground and made my plans. I attended the committee meeting and understand that there were four sets of plans. I felt that it should be a connected building, but my friend Brodie has plans for a detached building. After my plans were submitted to the building committee they became public property. He went home and made plans similar to mine and dropped \$1000 in price, but my terms are lower than his for the plans. If I had a second chance, which I do not want, I might give you a plan of a building to cost \$23,000. My building will be connected with Record office, of pressed brick, and you will have a fine building. You have four rooms in the Record office that you can use. The entrance will be from the middle; steps to right and left; balcony over main entrance for public meetings in case of overflow meetings from court house; building will be heated with furnace, for hot water or steam would cost more; roof of slate similar to Record office; up stairs is the jury room. The floors are birch or beech, wainscoting the same; roof will be carried on four steel trusses, which cost but little more than wood; tar and gravel roof; stone work to correspond with Record office; the rear end near jail need not be pressed brick. His service would cost 3 per cent of total cost to include all necessary papers. There would be a horse shoe shaped gallery that would seat about 300 people.

Coun Gilmer—We have got the Record office in the wrong place, but it was built in the centre of the lot to safeguard the valuable papers from fire. When we planned the jail we sent a committee to Houlton where the jail although 20 years old needed but little repairs. The building of the jail had been botched all the same. We want to be careful this time. Before, we listened to the so-called words of wisdom of experts, better known as Socratic venom, and bitterly have we rued the day. I think Mr Brodie did right in sending in these second plans; it was the proper thing for him to do. The people of Aberdeen say they want a good building this time.

James Drysdale—When you started to build the jail you accepted my plans, and I was appointed to superintend the work. I had been making plans for 40 years, but I did not know much about jail work. I made enquiries and succeeded in getting good plans. There was an injunction and the work stopped. The speaker then explained his plans for the new court house, and ended with a criticism of the work of other architects on the post office and jail building.

On motion Coun Balmain, seconded Coun Tompkins, Mr Mott was again heard before the board in an explanation of the work on the jail building. Council adjourned till 1.30.

AFTERNOON MEETING.

A letter was read from T O L Ketchum, official reporter, stating that he had been called away on court business and that J P Malaney would act in his place.

On motion of Coun Flemming the excuse of the reporter was accepted.

The following resolution moved by Coun Stevens, seconded by Coun Melville, was carried unanimously:—

That the secretary treasurer be requested to prepare a bill to go before the Legislature authorizing the Municipality of Carleton County to borrow money not to exceed \$35,000 for the purpose of building a court house on the County lot in the town of Woodstock.

After reading a letter from F B Brodie explaining his plans, Coun Phillips said—Mr Brodie wrote me asking what kind of a building we wanted, and I replied but did not say that we desired an attached building. I wrote him later, telling him that we preferred the new building being attached to the Record office. He drew his plans before receiving my second letter, but he said if he had known my wishes he would not have made it a detached building, but would have prepared different plans. I am sure that he did not see Mr Mott's plans and I think Mr

Brodie's second plans should be considered.

Moved by Coun J R Brown, seconded by Coun Williams, that the second plans of Mr Brodie be accepted.

Coun Owens thought the matter should be fully discussed just now. We do not know much about Mr Brodie's plans as yet, whether it will be a six inch or ten inch wall.

Coun J R Brown—Mr Brodie told me that his plans provided for a sixteen inch wall, with a pressed brick front.

Coun Melville—It is quite necessary that we have a full expression of opinion from the councillors.

Coun Balmain—To my mind a splendid building can be put up for \$25,000. I have had some interest in brick building lately. It is quite hard to know the exact cost of a building from the plans. There is a question whether it would be wise to accept or call for tenders under one contract. There are different classes of workmen, and it seems to me there should be a separate tender for concrete, brick and galvanized iron work. I can hardly see my way clear to accept the motion. I rather like Mott's plans in preference to Brodie's. The flat roof of Mott's is the better. The armoury has a flat roof and has given no trouble. While Mott's plans are \$1000 more in cost than Brodie's, his (Mott's) commission is less. Mott's is a substantial and fine building and cannot be improved upon.

Moved by Coun Balmain, seconded by Coun Stevens, in amendment, that the plans of H H Mott be accepted.

Amendment was lost and original motion carried.

Coun Melville—Now, that we have decided on the architect, let us know what kind of a building you want—give the committee some information?

Coun Rideout—When we accept the plans we must have some faith in Mr Brodie. He says the building will cost \$24,000. We want just as large a building as that expenditure calls for. We cannot do with a smaller one.

Coun Gilmer—I have confidence in the building committee. If it costs more than \$24,000 it will be all right. My people in Aberdeen want a good building, but do not want one cent wasted.

Coun J R Brown—We are building not for to-day but for the future, and we want the building to be a credit to the council. When our children grown up we would want them while looking at the building to say there is a splendid building that our fathers had a hand in erecting. We do not want the cement cut out, or the substructure—or superstructure weakened by economy. We simply want a good building.

Coun Williams—We come here as the representative of the people. My people in January told me it was time we had a new court house. They want it to be a credit to the council and a good substantial building. I am in favor of putting in enough money to make it such.

Moved by Coun Williams, seconded by Coun Alex Brown, that the committee advertise for complete building and as well for the separate parts of the work.

Coun Stevens—We would like to have a distinct understanding. Some speakers have pointed out with considerable force that nothing in the plans should be cut down, but if we find the total cost exceeds the amount of \$24,000, the building com-

mittee will be in a hole. The history of public buildings is that each when built exceeds the estimated cost. We want to know how much leeway we have.

Coun Flemming thought that the resolution interfered with the rights of the building committee. It is not the best idea to let out separate contracts. Of course though we should take a certain amount of responsibility. We want a good substantial building, one that no one can pick a flaw in, and if it costs a few thousand more than \$24,000, we will cheerfully pay it.

Coun Williams—The intention of the resolution was to give the committee a chance to see both sets of tenders before deciding. I think if it costs more than \$24,000 and less than \$35,000 it would be all right.

Warden—The building committee has a free hand to expend up to \$35,000. The advertisement asking for legislation called for that sum and my people have not grumbled. They want a good building, but the money must not be spent foolishly nor extravagantly.

Coun Alex Bell thought that tenders for separate work would complicate matters.

Coun Gilmer—One man should have the job to avoid confusion.

Coun Bradley—Where two parties are interested in a building, the timber men are finding fault with the bricklayers and so on. They will find if they make one contract things will go smoothly. I want to see that a sharp watch is kept on the workmen. I used to have some money and let it. The man whom I had the most confidence in were the men who beat me. Let the contract to one man and see that he doesn't beat you. I always like to do and to see work done well. I saw some brick work done recently in Hartland that could be done better by myself and I am not in that business. My advice to the committee is to watch closely. Let your plans be thorough and have no extras.

(Continued.)

News in Brief.

Professor Starr of Chicago University says that Ex Pres Roosevelt shall not come back alive from Africa. Mr Roosevelt is leaving for an extended hunting trip in the wilds of Africa and Prof Starr says that for a man of his peculiar temperament the ferals of that country mean sure death.

The death of Ora P King, occurred at his late home in Sussex on Monday the 8th. Mr King represented Kings county for seven years in the Provincial House. He was a prominent member of the Free Masons and one of the leading barristers of Kings County. He was married two years ago to Miss Connelly of St John Co.

The Scott Act Ticket was snowed under by the Citizens Ticket in the Town election in Fredericton on Monday last. This came as a surprise in view of the large majority in favor of Scott Act in the election a few months ago. The methods employed in enforcing the act is supposed to be the cause of present vote.

The two Italians convicted at Perth of the murder of Paddy Green on the G T P right of way, were sentenced by His Honor Judge Landry to be hung on Tuesday, May 4th. It is said an effort will be made to get the sentence of the younger man Arsoha charged to life imprisonment.

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