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WHOLE No 3373

Black Front Jewelry Store



DON'T NEGLECT
YOUR WATCH

I wish to thank the Public
for their generous patronage
during the Christmas Season
and wish you a

"HAPPY NEW YEAR"

I also ask you to remember I am always at the same place
of business and anxious to please you.

Do not forget I make a Specialty of WATCH, CLOCK
and JEWELRY REPAIRING.

Marriage Licenses
and
Wedding Rings

H. V. DALLING
WOODSTOCK, N. B.

Eyes
Tested
Free

Health, Prosperity and Happiness
are wishes our friends for 1914,
and Thanks are extended them
for 1913 favors.

Snappy, classy, attractive lines in Pantings, Suit-
ings and Overcoatings, in unison with the
weather conditions.

Ready-to-Wear Suits, Overcoats and Pants from
reliable makers, at bargain prices.

All Furnishings, from Collars to Socks.

Umbrellas, Trunks, Valises and Bags.

The Old Reliable

Custom
Tailoring

R. B. JONES CO, Ltd

Buttons
Covered

"Manchester House"

CONNELL BROS. LTD., MAKE ASSIGNMENT

The Woodstock correspondent of
the Fredericton Gleaner sends that
paper the following dispatch dated
January 14th:

"Connell Bros., Ltd., having its
head office here, have made an as-
signment for the benefit of its cred-
itors to Wm. S. Sutton, of Wood-
stock. A meeting of the creditors
will be held in the office of the com-
pany on Monday, Jan. 26th, at 2
o'clock in the afternoon, for the ap-

pointment of inspectors and giving
directions with reference to the dis-
position of the estate. As the unen-
cumbered estate is valued at \$30,000,
with book debts of \$20,000, and with
liabilities of only \$15,000, it is felt
that the old established foundry
company will be at work again in a
short time with more capital. The
conditions are more favorable for
carrying on an extensive business."

Many rumors have been afloat for
some weeks concerning this concern
and some interesting developments
may be expected.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

FREDERICTON LAWYER ENDS HIS LIFE

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 14.—With a
bullet through his heart and a revol-
ver lying on a table near by J.
Stewart Campbell, barrister, was
found dead in his room this morning.
That it was a case of suicide is be-
yond doubt.

The revolver contained one empty
shell. He evidently had the muzzle
close to his body when the shot was
fired. The bullet passed through his
heart and emerged at the centre of
the back. Nobody about the build-
ing heard the report.

"GOVERNMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT."

Instructive Address Deliv-
ered by Inspector F. B.
Meagher at the Teach-
er's Institute

Duties of Ratepayers, Trustees and
Teachers—An Address Full of
Information on Important Fea-
tures of the School Law

A full description of our school
district government would almost re-
quire a resume of the school law
and as the time at my disposal is
brief I shall deal only with the sal-
ient points of the subject under dis-
cussion and make passing reference
to those phases of the operation of
the law in rural districts which re-
quire emphasis, or which are not
generally understood.

The central governing body of the
school districts of our Province is
the Board of Education which al-
ways retains supreme control of the
schools while giving to each district
the right, under certain limitations,
of managing its own local affairs.
The unit of local school government
is the school district. Such district
may be established by the Board of
Education where the area included is
at least three and one-half square
miles, or with a smaller area if
there are fifty resident children in
the proposed school district, be-
tween the ages of six and sixteen
years inclusive.

THE SCHOOL MEETING

The local governing body of the
school district is the school meet-
ing, the executive committee of
which is the Board of School Trust-
ees. Speaking briefly, the school
meeting determines what amount
shall be raised by the district dur-
ing the ensuing year for school pur-
poses; it authorizes the Trustees to
dispose of any school property if so
desired; it votes on the question
whether the Act providing for Com-
pulsory Attendance shall be made
operative in the district, if not al-
ready adopted, and it receives after
the first annual meeting the written
report of the Board of Trustees as
to the educational condition of the
district the receipt and expenditure
of all school moneys, and the re-
quirements and needs of the district
for the ensuing year.

The provision of school privileges
is placed in the hands of the Trust-
ees. It is no part of the business
of the school meeting to decide as
to whether or not the school may
be closed for the whole or part of
any term and when an insufficient
sum of money is voted by the meet-
ing the Trustees are empowered to
submit to the Inspector an estimate
of the amount required for school
purposes, on whose recommendation
the Board of Education may autho-
rize the Trustees to buy and col-
lect the amount of the estimate sub-
mitted.

The rights of the minority in re-
spect to the operation of school, etc.,
are fully protected by sections 66, 67
and 68 of the School Manual.

In case a district fails to exercise
its right in electing Trustees, or a
Trustee refuses to act, the Inspector
has power to appoint a Trustee, or
Trustees, on a requisition of seven
ratepayers or he may be directed to
do so by the Chief Superintendent
or the Board of Education.

The first school meeting in any
district is called by the Inspector.

In case of irregularities an appeal
may be made to the Inspector with-
in fourteen days after the date of the
meeting.

The Secretary's minutes must be
read before the close of the meeting
and be signed by the Chairman and
Secretary and submitted to the
Board of Trustees within ten days
after the date of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting are to
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THE CURTAIN DROPS ON TOWN AFFAIRS OF 1913

Members of Council In Final Act.
Finances of Town in Good Con-
dition—Members Did Best They
Could—Method of Payments
of School Board Criticised

Councillor Dibblee Again Conspicuous—Vote
of Thanks to Mayor and Associates

The public meeting Monday night
at which the retiring town council
gave an account of their stewardship
was fairly well attended. Mr.
Howard Stevens was chosen chair-
man and in a brief address thank-
ed the meeting for the honor
of being selected to preside
at such an important gathering. He
thought the citizens should attend
in larger numbers, as it was rather
unfair to the men who did the busi-
ness of the town that a deeper in-
terest was not shown in their ef-
forts. If the meeting was brought
on about the time the assessment
was made no doubt the hall would
be packed.

Coun. Balmain, chairman of the
Finance Committee, made a few pre-
liminary remarks before reading the
financial statement. He said, all
things being considered, he felt sat-
isfied the showing was better than
in previous years. If the taxes of
1913 had been reasonably well paid
we would have a surplus.

\$12,000 in taxes remain unpaid.
The Councillor felt that some dif-
ferent arrangement should be made
in the payments to the School
Board. It was not fair to the town
to furnish the School Board with
money, on which they received 3 per
cent. interest, and the town paying
5 per cent. that the funds might be
provided. The School Board had a
good balance in the bank at the
present time. The school law provided
that the money must be forthcoming
when required. A different arrange-
ment might be perfected. The town's
credit ought to be good enough to
raise the money when needed and
not be compelled to pay six months
in advance. The year would start
with the schools and County paid in
full—and this would account for the
deficit in the bank. With the pay-
ments to the schools, county and
provincial hospital, with such a big
deficiency in the taxes, the council
had done very well indeed. Coun.
Balmain announced that he would
not be a candidate for re-election.

Coun. Lindsay, chairman of the
Fire and Police Committee, said the
fire department had given good sat-
isfaction for the money granted. The
work done had been very creditable.
In the police department the officers
had done their duty faithfully and
for a town the size of Woodstock
good order had been maintained.
Personally the councillor felt he had
acted in the best interests of the
town. Coun. Lindsay announced
that he would be a candidate at the
next election.

For the Water and Light commit-
tee, Chairman A. E. Jones said he
had not heard many complaints. It
was one of the spending depart-
ments of the town. The pump he
found in very bad condition, on as-
suming office, and it had been re-
paired at considerable expense and
was now going better work than
ever before.

The lights had been attended to by
the company who always acted
promptly when called upon to adjust
any defects. The councillor was
anxious to have people settle here,
and one inducement was to keep
taxes down. According to the chair-
man of the finance committee the
school board has \$7,000 to good at
3 per cent. interest at the expense

to the town of 5 per cent.
J. R. Brown—They haven't got it.
Coun. Jones—How much have they
got?
J. R. Brown—I don't know.
The School Board, said Coun.
Jones should meet in this hall and
if it is not a fit place it should be
made so. "I don't believe," said
the speaker, "that if the school
board met in a public hall they
would have \$7,000 of the town's
money on deposit. I don't think it
is right for the school board to have
a surplus at the bank and ask the
ratepayers to pay for it.
Coun. Dibblee—"The business of
the council has been conducted with
the best of feeling. Mayor Jones has
been an efficient officer. My depart-
ment—sewers—is not extensive and I
am within my appropriation. I agree
with the councillors who have critic-
ised the methods of the school board
payments. It is not good business
to have too much money in hand.
The board might get along with
less money to their credit." At this
point the councillor made one of his
noted flights of oratory and handed
out advice to the papers—or the
Sentinel. "I think the Sentinel took
the wrong course when it said
things about Mr. Gould—piped the
councillor—it is not right to pick on
him for attack—he (Gould) could do
this town a lot of harm—he should
be given a fair show, etc." What con-
nection this cheap talk had with the
sewer department is hard to under-
stand. It is probably a case of
grinding the same old axe.
Coun. Gallagher would have to
admit a deficit in the street depart-
ment. A lot of hard work had been
done and it required a lot of money
to do it, but it was of a perma-
nent nature and he felt would be
profitable in the end.
Coun. Burden, chairman of the
Poor Department said: "This depart-
ment is entirely different from any
other department on account of un-
forseen conditions. A bill of the
provincial hospital running 13 years,
and settled for \$840, was charged up
to this department. We have 23
persons receiving aid and, even with
the additional expense, I am under
the appropriate about \$174.00 and
with amounts due, and not available
just now, we will have \$550.50 to
the good. I want to say that in
administering the affairs of the de-
partment I was greatly assisted by
Chief Kelly."

Mayor Jones—"The meeting to-
night is required by law. The heads
of the different departments have all
made their statements and it is not
necessary to review them. It is well
to remember that Councillors serve
without remuneration—criticism is
their only pay. They cannot give all
their time to the town and no doubt
at times things do not go just
right—this is to be expected." The
Mayor spoke at some length on the
commission form of government and
was of the opinion that Woodstock
was too small to be governed this
way. "We should try," said his
Worship, to emulate western towns
and boom our town. The newspapers
should put the town first. In refer-
ence to matter of Mr. Gould I don't
know anything about it. Perhaps
some different arrangement could be
made about the school payments.

COL. G. D. PERKINS RETIRES FROM COMMAND

Of the 67th Regiment.
Succeeded by Major
J. R. Kirkpatrick

Colonel Humphrey Acting Official
in Changes—Other Promotions

Col. H. M. Humphrey, in charge
of administration 6th Div. Halifax,
was here on Wednesday, making over
the command and stores of the 67th
Regt. Carleton Light Infantry from
Col. G. D. Perkins who has been in
command for the last five years to
Major J. R. Kirkpatrick, who now
assumes command. On Thursday,
Col. Humphrey transfers the com-
mand and stores of "A" Co. 67th
Regt. from Brevet Major J. J. Bull
to Lieut. C. G. McLaughlin, who as-
sumes command as Captain. Major
Bull, who has had command of the
above Company for the last 14
years, becomes Junior Major of the
Regt.

MAYOR JONES ENTERTAINS

Members of Council, Town Offi-
cials and Representatives
of the Press

The members of the council of 1913
with town officials and press repre-
sentatives, were guests of Mayor
Jones at a banquet in the Royal
Cafe Friday night. Councillor Dib-
blee presided over the toast list and
speakers. After the health of the
Mayor had been drunk that gentle-
man responded in a happy vein with
optimism the theme of his graceful
address. The members of the board
each spoke briefly as did Town Clerk
Hartley, Chief of Police Kelly and
the press representatives. Chief
Kelly's reference to the long and
faithful service of his assistant,
Thomas McCarron, was a well de-
served tribute to that official, who
is about to retire from the force.

Every speaker expressed great
hopes for the future of Woodstock,
and the very pleasant gathering was
brought to a close by singing Auld
Lang Syne.

The banquet was tastily prepared
and was creditable to the proprietor
of the Royal Cafe, Mr. E. B. Fisher,
whose arrangements were complete in
every detail.

The town has much to show for its
indebtedness, as sewers, water works
permanent streets, etc. We have
public works not equalled by any
town. We have in all departments of
the town something to represent the
interest." Mayor Jones dealt with
the provincial hospital bill, which
he explained fully. He also referred
to the taxes and the duties of the
assessors, and said to make the
town a good place to live in make
the assessment as low as possible.
Manufactories will thrive here if
properly managed, but it needs capi-
tal. With banks on one side and
the railway on the other it was a
hard proposition. With I. C. R. oper-
ation of the Valley Railway he look-
ed for greatly improved conditions
and had reason to believe that
Woodstock would be prosperous.

After a few pleasant remarks by
the chairman a vote of thanks was
tendered the Mayor and Councillors
for their services in the interests of
the town.

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Fred McLean left Monday for New
York, where he will take a special
course in electrical work.