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## COUNCILLORS OF 1915 RENDER ACCOUNT OF STEWARDSHIP

**Public Meeting Well Attended—Mayor Sutton Gave Interesting Review of Business for Year—\$6,700 Uncollected Taxes—Most Departments Kept Within Appropriation—Coun. Flemming's Lame Attempt At Grand Stand Play**

With the town meeting Monday night the present Town Council went out of office, with every member assuring those present that the administration was the best ever. The meeting was well attended. The outstanding feature that the retiring members dwelt on was the fact that the town was practically free of debt, which was owing to the substantial increase in the tax rate. There was no mention of any improvements during the twelve months of office, but the mere statement that they had some \$63,000 to spend and it was spent.

Mr. H. D. Stevens was chosen chairman of the meeting and during his remarks made feeling reference to the death of three former councillors—Messrs. J. T. A. Dibble, H. E. Gallagher and James T. Carr. They had always taken a deep interest in the affairs of the town and held the respect and esteem of every citizen. No doubt suitable resolutions would be passed by this meeting testifying to the regard felt for them by their fellow citizens.

Mayor Sutton gave a brief and interesting review of the work of the council during the past year. He also paid a tribute to the former members of the board who have recently passed away. "One year ago," said Mayor Sutton, "I was elected by acclamation to occupy the position of Mayor. I accepted the office feeling that I might be of some service to the town. Among the matters dealt with was the guarantee of the Dickinson bonds, amounting to \$15,000, which are being paid off as they mature. We granted permission to the Arcostook Power Company to come in, but Mr. Gould and his company did not avail themselves of the offer. The Imperial Packing Company matter was satisfactorily settled. In making the estimates we found it would require \$52,000 to pay expenses—we finally compromised on \$49,000.

In the collection of taxes we resolved to proceed in a way that would bring results. We presented a united front and no man weakened. If taxes had been collected promptly such conditions would not have existed. I am not in favor of the lien law, it means too much expense and should be changed. Pure water was given considerable attention. The doctors appeared before the council and urged strongly that some steps be taken to secure pure water and as a result of their presentation of conditions we went ahead. The Potato Products Company came in and asked to be taxed on the price paid for the property. We did this and gave them water at five cents per a thousand gallons, also providing a sewer. The bonded indebtedness of the town is \$176,900 with the Dickinson guarantee to be added. \$80,000 will fall due 1916 at 4 1/2 p.c., and must be provided for. July 1st we have \$10,000 sewerage bonds due at 4 p.c., which will probably be 5 p.c.—in all making a total of extra interest of about \$1000. These matters must be provided for next year. A new contract will be entered into with the W. E. L. & Power Company. The next council will probably have to grapple with the Patriotic Fund. I have nothing to say concerning this. I have been treated very courteously during my term of office and will be glad to serve another year if the people want me. If it is the wish to have somebody else, I am willing to retire. My duties have been done impartially. Any information that I can give I will be very glad to do it.

Coun. Young, chairman of the finance department, would not go into details, it was difficult to go over accounts covering a year. It is necessary for young men to take more interest in public affairs. At the end of my first year I am in a better position to understand town business than ever before. This council is composed of good all round business men. The tax rate was raised as a result of their best judgment and you shouldn't find fault with them. In previous years there had been nothing but debit balances. We have to have so much money—we didn't know the rate but we know the amount we wanted. There are a few bills yet to be paid and it would appear that our correct balance is \$1644.85. It is an unpleasant job to collect taxes—to bring pressure against people you meet every day. I didn't do it, the council always passed resolutions in relation to what is done. There was no partiality. The town treasurer sent notices to every one. We have succeeded in getting the taxes and paying the debts. We were criticised for settling the taxes of the Fisher Estate. We decided that the only thing we could do was what we did do. We have done very well and I hope you will retain the board for another year, including myself. I am willing to stay if the citizens want me. New methods are necessary in carrying on the business of the town—a town manager, or something of that sort. I have no fault with officials, it is the system. I will offer for re-election.

Coun. Leighton, chairman of Water, Light and Pure Water, had an appropriation of \$9,500, and expenditure of \$9119.37. Many people who pay their water rates at the end of the year are not on voters list owing to the new legislation. The machinery at the pumping station is in as good condition as we can make it. Coun. Leighton went into the pure water system and gave a detailed explanation of the attempt to secure good water. He touched on the Dickinson mortgage, E. L. & P. Company service, which had improved during the year. I will offer for re-election and if my course meets with the approval of the people—vote for me—if not don't vote for me. We spent \$63,000 last year. If taxes are assessed equitably we can get down to 1 1/2 rate. The town can run on an assessment of \$40,000. Many people are now paying on a full valuation. The assessment should be made up and published in advance—people will appreciate it. I hope you will vote for me.

Coun. Smith of the Fire Department had a balance on hand, but some new hose would be paid for that would reduce it somewhat—to probably \$67.27.

The firemen are a fine body of men and gave me no trouble whatever. (Continued on page eight.)

## MANY AMERICANS TRAINING IN CANADIAN REGIMENTS

**Corporal Johnson Tells His Experiences—"Used Like Kings" by Woodstock People—Americans are Advanced but no Favorism Shown**

(Worcester Telegram).

"There are a great many good husky Yankees in the Canadian contingents," said Corp. J. A. Johnston, a Worcester boy, who is a non-com in D Co. of the 140th Battalion of Canadian overseas forces, in training at Woodstock, New Brunswick, who visited his mother, Mrs. Amelia Johnston, 113 June street, last week.

Corp. Johnston lived in Worcester eight years, and worked as a piano and talking machine salesman many years. He is a young soldier of fortune having been in 35 of the 48 states in the union and traveled from coast to coast.

He left Worcester in September to join the Canadian contingent, his intentions being known to but a few, and his return with subsequent word that he had enlisted was news, but not a surprise, to his many Worcester friends. (Continued on page eight.)

## Over Four Hundred Voters Disfranchised

**Nearly Half the List Prevented From Voting At Town Election—Who is Responsible?**

Those among the voters, who cannot vote at the town election, will hardly find their faith on reform through legislation. As surely as water will not rise above its source, the plane upon which public business is conducted will be no higher than the common level of public sentiment.

Legislation has been put through by the council of 1915 that has disfranchised nearly 400 voters of the town. In most cases it is the water tax which many were accustomed to pay at the end of the year. Some of those prevented from voting are among the heaviest taxpayers in town. One man paying \$300, and many others prominent in business circles are victims of this questionable legislation.

The following resolution tells the story:—

**MOVED BY COUN. YOUNG, SECONDED BY COUN. FEWER, THAT LEGISLATION BE PROCURED TO AMEND THE ACTS RELATING TO THE TOWN SO THAT NO PERSON SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO VOTE UNLESS HIS TAXES ARE PAID AT LEAST ONE MONTH PREVIOUS TO THE DATE OF ELECTION. CARRIED.**

## CROWN LANDS AND ROADS OUT OF POLITICS

**Act to End Sale of Liquor—Platform of Advanced Legislation by Opposition Convention—Crown Lands Administration by Non-Partisan Commission—Referendum on Prohibition**

The provincial opposition convention on Tuesday, adopted resolutions to take the Crown Lands entirely out of politics and place them entirely under a non-partisan commission; to take the roads entirely out of politics, and to pass a prohibitory law. These important resolutions were adopted with great enthusiasm, and were as follows:

(1.) We pledge ourselves completely to re-organize the crown lands department so that its administration shall be entirely severed from politics and administered on sound business principles, under systematic plans by a non-partisan commission specially appointed for that purpose responsible to the legislature and working in co-operation with the Dominion Commission of Conservation.

(2.) We pledge ourselves to take the highways out of politics, giving the expenditure of the money collected from the people and the control of labor together with the government appropriations into the hands of supervisors, chosen by the people of each parish, to whom a detailed and audited account must be rendered every year at an annual meeting, and a duplicate thereof forwarded to the Department of Public Works, the work of the supervisors to be under the inspection of a competent provincial engineer. We also pledge ourselves to set aside the money collected from the licenses upon automobiles and other motor vehicles, together with an equal appropriation from the revenues of the province each year, to pay the interest upon the bonds to provide for permanent roads, which shall be constructed as rapidly as possible.

(3.) We pledge ourselves at the first session of the legislature to pass a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors within the province to the fullest extent allowed by the constitution, and with in three months after the passage of said act to submit the same by referendum to the electors of the province, and, should the majority of votes cast be in favor of the said law, then to bring the same into force by proclamation within one year thereafter.

## NOMINATIONS FOR TOWN COUNCIL

The following nominations were filed with the Town Clerk, as candidates for the Council of 1916:—J. S. Leighton, Jr., Wallace Smith, Thomas Noddin, Joseph Fewer, L. E. Young, W. H. Flemming, Isaiah Fisher, Johnson Stairs, Harry Stevens, John A. Lindsay.

The first six were members of the

old council. Mayor Sutton will be unopposed.

Owing to the extremely large number who have been disfranchised by legislation of the council of 1915 the vote that will be polled will probably be the smallest in the history of Woodstock Town Elections.

A full report of the provincial convention will appear next issue.



MISS MARGARET DIBBLEE  
Woodstock Nurse now in France at No. 2 Canadian Hospital.

Mr. J. Douglas Winslow, of Montreal, who has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Norman Winslow, Woodstock (N. B.), was in St. John a few days this week guest of Mr. Harold Edgecombe, Princess St. While in the city he was entertained on a number of occasions. Mr. Winslow has resigned from the Laurentide Pulp & Paper Co., and left on Friday for Kingston (Ont.), to take the artillery course.—Telegraph.

Mr. C. L. Smith left on Thursday for Maryland, Virginia.

Misses Pauline and Louise Prescott returned to Edgehill School, Windsor N. S., on Tuesday.

Miss Thelma Stairs who has been seriously ill with typhoid pneumonia is slowly recovering.

Miss Annette Barbour of Concord, N. H., is the new pianist at the Bijou Theatre.

Rev. R. J. Coughlin of Johnville, is visiting relatives in St. John.