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"THE COMBAT DEEPENS."

CANDIDATES WHO WILL HUSTLE FOR THE NEXT TEN DAYS.

Some New Men in the Race For Seats at the Common Council Board—Aldermen Who Have a Fight Before Them and Others Who Have a Soft Snap of It.

The aldermen in some of the wards are smiling very pleasantly now at the prospect of being returned unopposed, while those who have to face a contest are not less smiling when they encounter citizens whose names are on their list. It is a good time for voters to ask favors. They are pretty sure of favorable replies, providing the favor is to be granted after the first day of April. The performance of the promises depends on what sort of an April Fool's day it will be to some of the aspirants.

The time is short for new candidates to cover their ground, and late comers will not have much chance unless they come "to fill a long felt want." Even those who are already in the field find there is work enough for them as it is. There are still plenty of names on the lists against which there is no positive mark, and it is a pretty safe rule to discount pledges at least 25 per cent. in order to feel anyway easy as to the chances. In some wards 50 per cent. is none too good a discount, and a man may get left even when he allows that somewhat liberal margin.

As lively a fight as any, probably, is that in Brooks ward. The mantle of Ald. Smith appears to have fallen on Mr. C. B. Lockhart, and as things now look, there is little doubt that he will lead the poll. The fight in that ward is between Ald. Stackhouse and Mr. George A. Davis, and a very lively fight it is, to be sure. The opposition to Ald. Stackhouse is due to the attitude he assumed in the local election, and it is a very determined one indeed. Whether he can get a second term or not remains to be seen, but if he does, it will be by dint of hard work from now until the polls close.

Ald. Baskin and I. E. Smith are likely to be returned again from Guys ward. The name of James Belyea has been mentioned as a candidate, but it is now understood that as Mr. Belyea wants the position of captain of the harbor dredge he is not likely to be in the fight. All Carleton, therefore, can gather to see the fun in Brooks ward on election day.

Whether the bell buoy will be repaired for the next twelve months by Ald. Lewis or plain Mr. Lewis, is to be known better after the votes are counted. A great many people of Sydney do not quite understand the dock scheme in all its bearings, and the alderman may not have a chance to explain it until it is too late to save himself. As already stated, Col. Cunard is in the field, and others may follow.

If every man who expects to be elected in Queens succeeds, there will be three aldermen from that ward this time. So far as can be learned Alds. Robertson and Jack, and the new candidate, Mr. W. Watson Allen, are all of opinion that their chances are first-class.

The surprise of the week has been the retirement of Ald. Knodell, in Prince ward. The reason given by him is that the duties of the office takes too much of the time which he requires for his business. This makes the election of Mr. T. B. Hanington tolerably certain. Under any circumstances he would have taken a better vote than he took last year, and though that was not enough to elect him it was a very good vote indeed. Besides, at that election, he entered the field at a late hour, while this year he was sending around his postal card to voters before anybody but PROGRESS had begun to talk about the election. Mr. E. L. Rising, who had decided to run with Mr. Hanington has found that his business engagements will not permit him to do so. solicited to run in his place, and has, under strong pressure, consented to do so. The Mr. A. O. Skinner has accordingly been ticketed will therefore be Hanington and Skinner—a strong combination, with excellent prospects of success.

The other candidates now in the field in Prince are Ald. Morrison and Mr. John S. Nickerson. The burning question in Lorne ward appears to be not the dock scheme, but the Indiantown ferry. It will be remembered that there was quite a tempest about it at one time last year, and that Ald. Horncastle took an active part in the agitation. The men who will oppose him and Ald. Nase are Messrs. Isaac Holder and James E. Lingiey.

The rumblings of an opposition in Kings have become more distinct, and it is stated that Messrs. James Coll and James Straton will seek to take the places of Ald. Barnes and Blackadar. It is generally understood the force of the opposition is directed against Ald. Blackadar, and that Ald. Barnes is tolerably certain of re-election. He will, however, not work for himself alone, but for the return of his colleague.

Ald. Blizard's smile is more benevolent than ever, and his silken tile shines with renewed splendor in the bright spring sun-

shine, when he reflects that he and Ald. Tufts have a dead sure thing of it in Dukes.

Nor does the title of Ald. Peters abate a tittle of its ironed-twice-a-week glory when he contemplates the equally soft prospect for himself and Ald. Shaw in Wellington ward.

The North End is not asleep and may have some interesting contests. There will not be an opposition ticket in Dufferin ward, but there will be an interesting triangular contest between Alds. Vincent and Kelly and Mr. Joseph Likely. The latter is running in his own name and on his own account, but his name and that of Ald. Kelly will be found together on a good many ballots. Mr. Likely and Ald. Kelly are both "hill" men and might have a keen competition for the votes of that part of the ward in the case of two tickets opposed to each other. As it is some of the voters who wanted to have Mr. Likely declare himself as on a ticket with Ald. Vincent are determined to plump the latter and leave the other two to fight it out between them. Aid. Vincent, at least, is morally sure of his election.

At a meeting of the electors of Lansdowne ward, the other night, it was decided to endorse Alds. Chesley and Christie. Count DeBury had been talked of as a candidate, and appears to have instigated the meeting which decided to leave him at home. The occasion was a very interesting one, and some of the speeches had a refreshing candor about them.

Ald. Law and Messrs. Seaton and Forrest are having a brisk contest in Victoria ward. The next aldermen will be two of these three men, but which two it is rather difficult to predict at present. All three are said to have encouraging prospects. Ald. Busby is still in the field, and so is Mr. Dunbrack.

The position of matters in Stanley ward does not appear to have changed any during the week. Messrs. Howe and Turnbull are the only men in the field in opposition to Alds. Connor and McGoldrick.

When Ald. A. C. Smith was chosen as the West side man on the opposition ticket in the local election, some people thought that the claims of Mr. Enoch B. Colwell were unjustly slighted. It is now said that Mr. Colwell has a bias towards the mayor's chair, and his name has been frequently mentioned in that connection of late.

The requisition to Mr. John A. Chesley has received a large number of signatures. In the meantime Mayor Lockhart continues to do business at the old stand, and smiles as serenely as if there never had been a dock scheme. He appears to feel pretty confident that he will warm, if not adorn, the chief civic chair for the ensuing year.

He Left on Sunday.

A professional gentleman who left a North Shore town last fall for a neighbouring province to accept a lucrative position, also left few friends and many creditors. About ten days ago he returned to the town, and called on a number of his creditors, telling them he was going to remain about a fortnight and that he would square all differences before leaving. This was on Saturday. The creditors had promptings that it would be as well to throw around this gentleman the strong arm of the law, but concluded there would be time enough on the following Monday. As the gentleman did not appear out as usual on Monday, inquiries were made as to the reason of his nonappearance. It was learned that he had been driven away in the still hours of Sunday night by a prominent magistrate. Ever since the merchants and other of the town have been trying to kick themselves for being fooled so easily.

Absent for a Week.

On interesting article by "Old Timer," which reached this office too late for insertion in its usual place, is held over until next week. Many of the readers of PROGRESS, and especially those advanced in years, have expressed their keen appreciation and enjoyment of this series, which, with so much pleasant naturalness, has touched on many incidents of life in this city years ago.

What Some Speeches Cost.

During the first night of the stumpage debate there were 18000 words sent over the Western Union wires from Fredericton. Two court stenographers, Messrs. Risteen and Fry, took the longer speeches. For telegraphing alone the debate cost somebody \$45, and the stenographers would add another \$20 to that.

Paying Their Assessment.

Some of the St. John merchants have been paying their assessments lately, and trying to look pleasant. They are the liquor dealers who have been put to divers costs and charges in sundry cases, in fighting the law as far as it was worth fighting. The report is that the assessment of one dealer was \$200.

Fine Burnished Envelopes, five cents a bunch, at McArthur's Bookstore, King street.

PAUSED IN HIS PRAYER.

ANOTHER VERSION OF THE SCENE IN ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH.

The Congregation Thought the Preacher Had Forgotten What to Say, Which Led Him to Say a Good Deal They Did Not Expect—A New Field Suggested.

The services in the various city churches last Sunday evening appear to have been of a deeply interesting nature. Those in St. Philip's were especially so, and though an account of them was given in a city paper, PROGRESS is informed that only partial justice was done the facts. The account in question appears to have been inspired by Mr. Hartley himself, or by some one in his confidence. Leading members of the congregation have another story which they consider, as a matter of justice should be placed before the public.

The first cause of any disturbance was an innovation by Mr. Hartley in giving the Lord's prayer. The proper method of reciting this is well known to be a debatable matter. Some estimable clergymen think that it should be voiced at the rate of 140 words a minute without emphasis, while others believe in giving it slowly with all possible rhetorical effect. It is related that a famous actor, the elder Booth, we think, considered it one of the most difficult passages in the English language to master, and that his rendition of it was so emotional as to bring tears to the eyes of his hearers. Mr. Hartley appears to have had this anecdote in mind, for he proceeded slowly as far as the words "Thy kingdom come," when he abruptly paused and stood with his eyes shut, as if in profound meditation.

Some of the congregation began to whisper to each other. "Why he's forgotten his prayer—he's forgotten his prayer!" which appeared to be the general opinion. Thereupon Mr. Hartley descended from his state of spiritual absorption and also from the pulpit.

Proceeding to where he supposed the noise came from, he asserted his willingness to fight any man who came there to make a disturbance. A deep silence prevailed and he returned to resume his discourse.

Instead of doing so, he gave a sketch from his own history, when he as a British soldier in Trinidad had shot a man. He announced that his father was a fighter and that he was a fighter, and would stand no nonsense, or words to that effect.

In the meantime one of the congregation, said to be a connection of the preacher's, had disposed himself for slumber on a bench in the rear, and began to snore with painful distinctness. It may seem remarkable that a man could sleep while Mr. Hartley was preaching, but even as Eutychus slept while the thunders of Paul's eloquence resounded, so did this gentleman slumber. The noise of the snoring reached the pulpit and excited a fresh indignation in the preacher's breast. He expressed his determination to take the disturbers by the scruff of the neck and throw them into the street. Then he walked down the aisle, and repeated his challenge for any man to step outside and he would fight him and beat him.

The impressive spectacle of the church militant awed the congregation, and no one accepted the challenge. Then Mr. Hartley offered even better terms, and announced that if no one wanted to fight him, he would fight any two women.

There is a prophecy that "seven women shall take hold of one man," but there were no two women in St. Philip's church who wished to so distinguish themselves. Therefore, the church militant became the church triumphant, and Mr. Hartley returned to the pulpit. As it was impossible for him to resume his train of thought, however, he immediately retired without finishing the interrupted prayer, and without the formality of a benediction.

The members of the congregation assert that Mr. Hartley was himself the cause of all the disturbance. The first whisperings were not with the intention of annoying him and any noise there was subsequently made was the result of his own peculiar and aggressive language.

There is the suspicion of an opinion that while Mr. Hartley is a successful preacher in this field, he would shine with retulgent splendor in a Western settlement where it is the custom for a clergyman to carry a gun in his hip pocket and a razor in his boot.

For Whose Benefit.

A good many North End people are anxious to know what is the reason for the removal of the fire alarm bell from Fort Howe to Rankin's wharf. In its old place it could be heard pretty well, but on the wharf it will principally serve to give the alarm to the people of York Point, Carleton and Navy Island. It is suggested that some of the officials intend to build summer residences on the island, and that the change is to be made for their benefit.

The one part of the North End which is in need of a bell is the Valley. Unless the wind favors, neither the city nor North End alarms can be heard there.

MASONIC MATTERS.

Items of Interest to the Members of the Craft in this Jurisdiction.

Grand Master Walker has received an invitation to visit Zion lodge, Sussex, in company with the officers of Grand lodge, at its next regular communication on Wednesday, April 2nd. The invitation also states that the members of Zion lodge will be glad to have other members of the craft accompany the party. An invitation has also been extended to the members of Keith lodge, Moncton, to be present at the same time. Work—the first.

The little excursion of the officers of the Encampment of St. John to St. Stephen, which was planned for next Monday, has been postponed until after the annual communication of the Grand Lodge, in April.

Comp. E. J. Sheldon attended the last convocation of St. Stephen Royal Arch chapter, and gives a glowing account of the flourishing condition of capital masonry on the border. According to his account, they have not only large gatherings, but are thoroughly "up" in the work.

It is expected that a meeting of Carleton council, R. & S. M., will be held in April. By the death of Past Master Archibald McLean, of the Union Lodge of Portland, the fraternity loses a faithful and much respected member. He had been ill for some time, but it was believed that he was on a fair way to recovery. Mr. McLean was also a member of New Brunswick chapter, and in the palmy days of the cryptic bodies, before the fire, was an active member of that rite.

The institution of a Lodge of Perfection, A. & A. Scottish Rite, of Amherst, N. S., makes the third of these bodies in Nova Scotia, the others being at Halifax and Kentville.

MR. ROBERT REED WAS THERE.

Among the 2,500 Persons Who Saw the Picture "Heavenly Love."

Nearly 2,500 persons, outside of 3,000 school children, paid their quarter and saw the picture "Heavenly Love" while it was on exhibition. Among them were Mr. Robert Reed and Mr. Hammond, who were there the first day, and stayed exactly one minute and a half. It is understood that they were more than satisfied. Mr. Scholl went to Montreal on Wednesday afternoon, with his treasure securely enclosed, air and water tight, in a tin box. He was well satisfied with the patronage extended to him by St. John people, who proved their willingness to pay their money and see a genuine article. The picture will be on exhibition in the Montreal Art gallery, and will, no doubt, be appreciated by the upper Canadians. The people of Toronto will have a chance to see it later in the spring, and in the fall it will be taken to New York and placed on exhibition there.

The numerous friends of Mr. Scholl in St. John—and he has many warm ones—will wish him every success with his picture.

WEIGHT OF A COUNTRYMAN'S BOOTS

How a Lady Discovered this Remarkable Fact—Mistaken for Candy.

A lady bought eight pounds of maple candy in the country market, last Saturday, and left it in a stall until she called for it. Before she returned, the clerk in the stall had given place to the owner, and he gave the lady a brown paper parcel, which she at once declared was lighter than when she left it. To prove her assertion the parcel was weighed and the scales indicated four pounds. Somewhat nonplussed the owner of the stall made the lady's loss good in cash and she departed. Before she had gone far her mouth watered for the candy and inserting her fingers through the paper of the parcel she discovered that instead of candy she was carrying a pair of countryman's boots, very old and exceedingly muddy. Hurrying back she found her parcel of candy stowed in the countryman's basket in mistake for boots. An explanation followed and everybody was satisfied—especially the merchant.

How to Send Silver by Mail.

PROGRESS received 25 cents in silver, by mail, the other day, enclosed in such a way as to guarantee its passing through anybody's hands without exciting a suspicion of the nature of the package. The remitter took two tens and one five cent piece and sunk holes of their exact sizes in the face of a cabinet photo. Gummed strips of paper were then pasted across to keep the coins in their places, and the silver laden card was then placed between two thin strips of wood and forwarded as an ordinary photo. The picture (oh, shame!) was that of an apparently handsome young lady, though this can only be surmised, as one of the ten cent pieces was placed directly in the centre of her face. Perhaps the sender put the picture of some fair jilt to such base uses. There may be a moral in this for girls who flirt, and discarded suitors may find a new use for the photographs of their former idols.

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WHAT THEY LOOK LIKE.

PORTRAITS OF PROMINENT MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE.

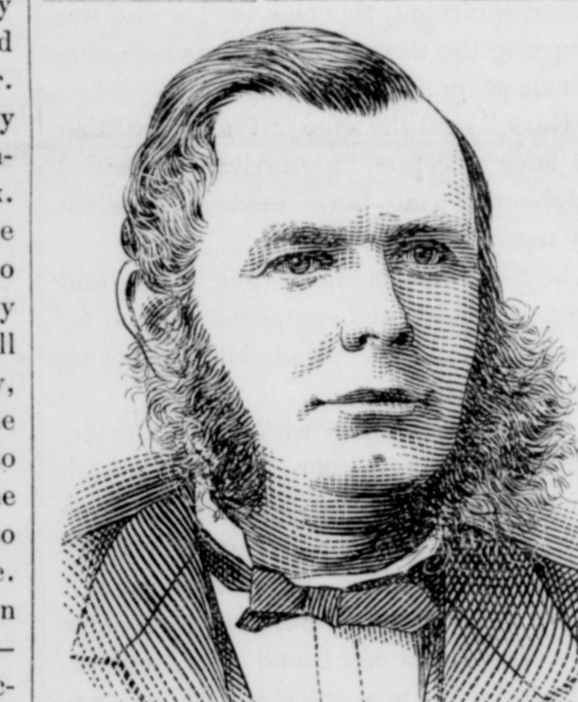
Hon. Speaker White and Daniel L. Hanington, Dr. Taylor, J. D. Phinney, and Dr. Atkinson—Four of the Men Who Took Part in the Debate.

Pen pictures, biographies, etc., of the men who try to pass a pleasant month or six weeks in Fredericton in the spring time, making and unmaking laws for the province, have been printed again and again. Therefore it is no part of PROGRESS' task in this instance to tell the people where Mr. Blair and Mr. Haning-



HON. A. S. WHITE, SPEAKER.

ton were born, whether in their earlier days they plowed the sod in the fall and sowed in the spring; how they obtained their education or whether they have any; if they are self-made men or whether the state had an eye on them and their distinguished abilities since they first felt the birch, and has kept their present positions open for them; but to give as correct an idea as is possible of what the men who govern the country look like. Some of the portraits which follow could not have their faithfulness questioned, but others, owing to the disinclination of some members to patronize the photographer more than once in a score of years, will



HON. D. L. HANINGTON.

remind the people how the gentlemen appeared once. This is true only of Mr. Hanington in this issue. While his features are the same, he has abandoned whiskers for a close trimmed beard.

Four of the five gentlemen who illuminate this article took a very prominent part in the great debate of the week, and probably of the session. The other, Mr. Taylor, of Kings county, never makes any long, and, consequently, no tiresome speeches. He always talks straight, common sense, and gives a strict party vote on government questions. He does not know



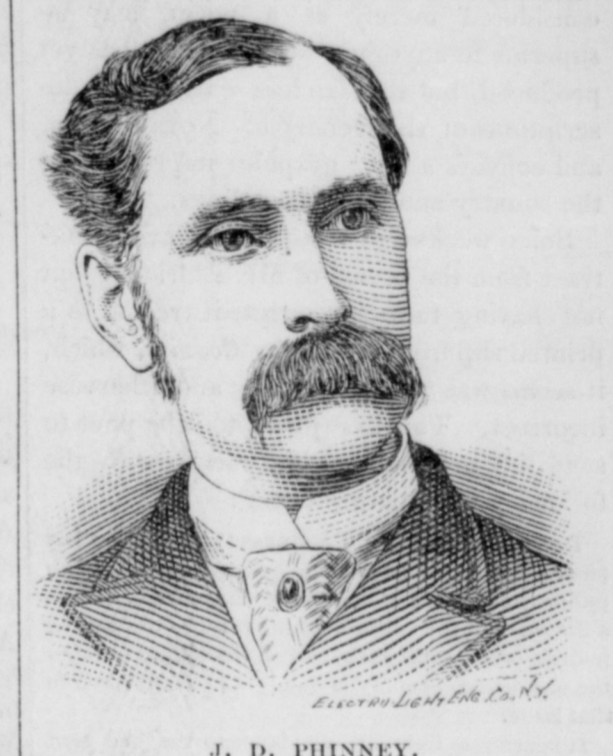
DR. TAYLOR.

how to flop, and thinks his best interests while in the house lie in the direction of the interests of the province.

His colleague, Mr. White, on the other hand, has been a prominent figure of the session—in the speaker's chair. In the material sense of the word, he does not fill it as completely as Mr. Palmer, of Queens would, but he makes a very good chairman, notwithstanding. He has a clear, sharp and not unpleasant voice, and, so far as he has ruled, has been courteous and impartial. The mantle of ex-Speaker Pagsley falls gracefully on the shoulders

of his colleague, and Kings county has further cause to boast of her representatives, with three out of four holding important offices in the local and dominion cabinets.

The characteristic features of Hon. D. L. Hanington are familiar to many of the readers of PROGRESS. He has been a politician for 18 years, and has traveled a



J. D. PHINNEY.

hard and stony road. Possessed of unquestioned ability, a commanding presence and effective eloquence, he is better fitted with his social qualifications to lead the opposition than any man in his party. What he lacks as a ready debater is well supplied by his lieutenant, Dr. Stockton.

Mr. Phinney has been called the most popular gentleman in the house. Politically, this is not so, for he can give too many hard knocks to his opponents, and discount too many of them in readiness of speech to make them wish that he might



DR. ATKINSON.

always stay with them. He is the companion of Dr. Alward at one of the front desks of the opposition side, and more effective talk comes from no part of the house.

Dr. Atkinson, the opposition quota from Carleton county, sits directly behind Alward and Phinney, and gives and takes pointers frequently. His opposition is of a determined, uncompromising character that knows no quarter. He was regarded by many as a likely leader of his party, but he is contented to be one of the rank and file. He is a good fighter, well informed and always provided with an array of facts that are hard to contradict.

"Congress" Note Paper.

The note paper used by the members of the legislature has two devices on it. One is that of the brilliant arms of the House of Assembly, while the other is an embossed representation of the White House at Washington, with the word "Congress" over it. This would seem to imply that American paper is preferred to the product of Great Britain and Canada. Perhaps its cheapness is its great recommendation. It is neither superfine nor aesthetic as a fastidious writer would view stationery. But then, the legislators are not usually very particular about such things.

Ald. Shaw Won the Bet.

Representative Shaw is not usually a betting man, but when Ald. John Kelly wanted to wager a box of the best Havanas that the government would have 27 on the first vote he did not hesitate, but accepted the challenge. When Mr. Shaw arrives in town the first place he will make for will be his favorite cigar store, and there will be recorded against Kelly something like this:

JOHN KELLY, Dr.
To 100 best Havanas.....\$12.00

Bright Prospects for "Dorothy."

The Dorothy opera company appears to be making excellent progress, and the members are very well satisfied with Mr. Ford as a conductor. When the opera is produced, about the middle of May, there is no doubt the members will make a success musically, leaving it for the public to make it so financially.

The Opera House Front Ready.

The plans and specifications of the new opera house front are ready for the builders to estimate upon. The front will be a nice one, and it will take good masons to do the work properly.