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THEY RUN THE MACHINE.

A TRIUMPHATE IN HALIFAX CIVIC POLITICS.

If They Agree in any Matter There Need be no Question as to the Result—A Government and an Opposition Party in the City Council.

HALIFAX, May 23.—“You know there are two or three aldermen in the city council who run the machine, and who are the people to pass any measure if it can be made to pass at all.”

Such were the remarks of a citizen the other day who has had some experience. He was about right. It is not a difficult matter to put your finger upon those powerful city fathers, and if any of PROGRESS' readers are in want of information of this kind they can take what they find here as a sale pointer.

The name that comes up first in this connection is that of Alderman Redden. His partner in power is Alderman Hamilton. The third man is Alderman McFarridge. These men form the “triumvirate” which governs the city.

There is no doubt about it that almost anything these three men wish to see accomplished will materialize. If they see eye to eye on any matter, and they invariably do, there need be no fear of the result.

Alderman Redden is a liberal and Alderman Hamilton is a conservative. Politics are by no means everything even in the city council, but they count for a good deal, and when the other qualities are present all is likely to go well.

These men certainly form the executive of the party in power in the city council. For there has now come to be, in fact though not in name, a “government party” party in the city council, and an “opposition.”

THE LEADING POWER.

Alderman O'Donnell Has Become the Power Above the Governor.

HALIFAX, May 23.—The whirligig of time brings many changes. Who would have thought ten or fifteen years ago that the present chairman of the city prison committee would have been in the position today.

Since the old days, now long passed away, when the members of the city prison committee went out to Rockhead periodically and regaled themselves with wines and cigars at the city's expense, some of the bills for which are unpaid till this day, the prison has been well and economically conducted by Governor Murray and Mrs. Murray.

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DOUBLE HIS SALARY.

How Mayor Keefe Succeeded in Capturing This.

HALIFAX, May 23.—From time to time PROGRESS, alone of all the papers read by the people of Halifax, noted the fact that ex-Mayor Keefe was drawing double the salary that formerly attached to the office of mayor.

GOVERNMENT CLERKS UNHAPPY.

They Have to Work from Nine in the Morning till Six at Night.

HALIFAX, May 23.—There is rejoicing in many quarters this week in Halifax because the customs appraisers' office is to be kept open for business, by order of the government, till 6 o'clock in the evening.

Merchants who themselves have been in the habit of working hard every day from 8 or 9 to 6 o'clock often grumbled grimly that these appraisers, who like all civil service employees, are the people's servants, should cast off the light carps of office at 4 o'clock, just at an hour perhaps, when they were most needed by the merchant.

The methods of the appraisers' office, or of the clerks there, have not made the establishment a popular one, and it is not surprising there is some jubilation that David Blackwood, R. M. Beckwith, and Frank O'Connor, customs appraisers at Halifax, have been given two hours more office duty per diem.

This Was in St. John.

A well known groceryman is a penman of no mean ability. His especial pride in this line is in the ornament he makes at the end of his letters.

Where he Drew the Line.

A young man went into a store to buy a hat. It suited him first rate. He looked inside the crown and saw that it was called the “Trilby” and he left the store sorrowful.

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HOW THE TABLES TURN.

AN OFFICIAL UPSET IN FAIRVILLE AND VICINITY.

All the Result of a Change in Representatives. Mr. Ready and his Friends Overthrown for the Time—Officer Hennessy Goes With the Others.

Lancaster has always been a constituency noted for keen municipal election contests. There has always been a crossing of swords there and a man must fight to win.

Of late there has been quite a wholesale redistribution of those offices that lie within the patronage of the Lancaster councillors, and it appears that the election was run on patronage lines.

In the municipal election of last year there was a division in these lines and each party elected a man, Coun. Armstrong, a friend and supporter of Mr. Ready, and Coun. Catherwood, an opponent.

Then legislation was obtained giving Lancaster three representatives and when this election came around both sides girded up their loins for a contest that should decide things.

This having been settled, the redistribution of the best offices began. The Lancaster councillors have the patronage of some fairly remunerative offices, such as collector of rates, police officer, road master, and assessors.

The first change was made at the first meeting of the new council. Two of the Ready men were then set aside. The council did not wish to do so but it was shown that it was a matter for the three Lancaster councillors to decide and they were unanimous on the point and so the others had to give way to their opinions.

So now Mr. H. P. Allingham will collect the rates instead of Mr. Geo. T. Clark. Mr. Allingham is a popular young man and his father who was a resident of Georgetown was one of the most zealous orators in the province.

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Since the council meeting two other changes have been made. The position of roadmaster brings in a fair salary and Mr. John Duff has filled it during the last year.

Chief of all the positions, perhaps, was that of police officer. For several years Officer Robert Hennessy has filled the position, one that might very correctly be considered a difficult one to fill.

His successor will be Mr. Geo. Moore, a sturdy-built young man. He has been in the bus business between Fairville and the head of Portland.

The Osterch and the Orstrage.

A pupil in one of the leading schools of the province of Nova Scotia recently handed in the following original treatise on the humming bird and the ostrich, of

which there are pictures in one of the Royal readers. The humming bird is dismissed with slight notice, as befits its size, but full justice is done to the larger bird.

A WELL KNOWN COMMERCIAL MAN

Fred Stewart of St. Stephen Dies After a Long Illness.

Perhaps there was no commercial man in this province better known than C.



THE LATE C. FRED STEWART.

Fred Stewart, who died in St. Stephen a few days ago. In this city he was a familiar figure and was known to merchants and to all those who moved in business circles.

A Well Deserved Honor.

Some few days ago PROGRESS heard the name of Rev. G. O. Gates mentioned in connection with the degree of doctor of divinity from Acadia College.

A Long Time at One St. nd.

Mr. James Manson proposes to move from his stand at the lower end of King street to Charlotte street sometime next week.

Mr. Manson has been in the dry goods business for 36 years and has seen King and Prince William streets flourish and about with retail dry goods stores.

Mr. Manson has been a long time in the dry goods business and many of the older families have never found his store out of their way, especially those who always availed themselves of Mrs. Manson's excellent taste in her own department—millinery.

THE SEASON IS OPENED.

THE FIRST DAY OF SPORT AND OF PICNICKING.

What was Going on In and out of the City Yesterday—Base Ball and Horse Racing—A Lowering Sky in the Morning Followed by a Fine Day.

When those who expected to enjoy the 24th in an old time fashion awoke yesterday morning to see the rain descending in a determined drizzle their spirits were quite as effectively dampened as the earth had been. How could baseball be played on slippery turf and how could horses trot in mud?

“Sam” Milligan was glad when the sun began to dry up the grass, so that the fields of his base ball teams would have a chance for their lives. He has worked hard to revive the game again and has risked much to bring the Colby team from Maine.

Then Dr. Pendleton, who has been associated with the turf in his own gentlemanly fashion for many years, who has never hesitated to give an entry or to trot a losing race in order to help out management.

The old Mechanic's Institute had accompanied and so had the Opera house. The worth of the shows is not material upon the 24th as good houses are the rule, not the exception.

LASSING A MOOSE.

The Five Weeks that the Hunter Spent Tackling him Home.

Hunter Selick is one of the best known men in this province. This little man with the big fur cap and his happy family menagerie are warmly welcomed wherever they go.

It was in the forest country lying between the head waters of the Tobique and Miramichi rivers that Selick caught his bull moose.

It is much easier for a hunter to bring home a dead moose than a live one. The long days of waiting before it was safe to proceed taxed Hunter Selick's remarkable patience to the utmost.

It took five weeks climbing over the bald hills, wading the morasses or fording the rivers which marked the thirty miles' distance between the scene of the capture and the first settlement.

times had to employ a catamaran to cross the streams with the moose swimming behind. But after the weary weeks Hunter Selick had the moose in the back yard of his Westmorland home.

SEND ALONG YOUR PORTRAITS

“Progress” Offer Being Taken Advantage of By Hundreds of the People.

The bicycle and portrait crazes are upon the people today in full force. PROGRESS does not propose to enlarge upon the former, but to say a few words in respect to the different phases assumed by the enlarged portrait idea.

Only a short time ago—less than two years—a few people in this line introduced cheaper enlarged crayon portraits into the maritime provinces. The people thought that the enlargement of a photograph, for say ten or fifteen dollars, was a remarkable bargain, and the quantity of work that those concerns obtained was very large.

The elegance of the frame is one of the features of this business. It is hard to place that such a handsome frame can be realized about an enlarged crayon portrait for the sum of \$2.00. It must not be thought for a moment that the frame and portrait only cost two dollars.

He Will Go Into Politics.

It is quite true that Mr. Geo. A. Davis has gone to Hawaii to enter political life and keep things humming in that distant isle. When last heard from he was in Vancouver, about to start across the Pacific to the goal of his ambitions.

The Coming Musical Event.

The Intercolonial, Canadian Pacific, Shore Line Central, and Dominion Atlantic railways will issue single first class return tickets at one fare to the respective points on the days of the Sousa concert, and concert tickets may be obtained from the station masters.

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