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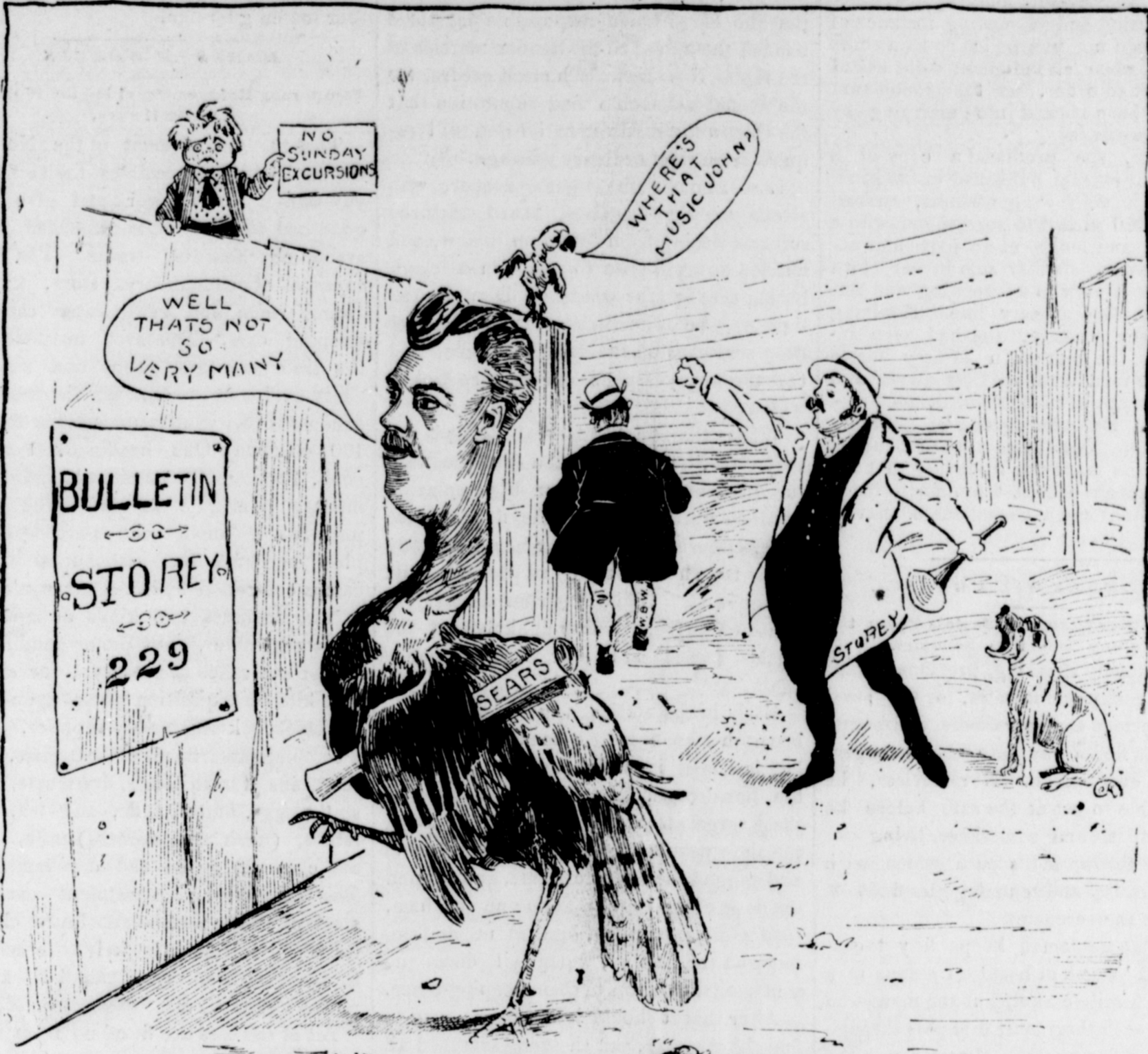
The civic elections are over and every body knows now who will sit at the common council board for the next year. Some of those who had been there and who thought that they would be there again have been told by the people to stay at home; not exactly as blunt as that perhaps, but still quite as effectively. Only one out of the three candidates for mayor could be elected and that one proved, as everybody thought he would be, the man who has held the office for the last year, Mr. Edward Sears. Mr. Sears got about twice as many votes as his nearest competitor, Mr. Wallace, and Mr. Wallace polled a good many more votes than a lot of people thought he would.

There was no excitement on Tuesday. Perhaps about noon time when the people were going to dinner and coming to work again, there was some hustling among the friends of the candidates to induce a few of them to vote for the people they were representing, but still taking the day all through, few people would imagine that there was an election going on. Small groups of voters and representatives gathered around the different booths and at many of them the groups were very small indeed. There were no "refreshments" and no "inducements" to attract the people who usually have nothing else to do on election day but partake of the one, and get as much as they can of the other.

The mayoralty candidates did not put out any money, neither did the aldermen. It was said there was a small fund for a few of them but that was devoted to hiring teams, paying representatives at the booths and nothing else. This it was stated were the subscriptions gathered by the "quiet" party and who ever composed the quiet party they did very well, because those whom they did not want to elect were left at home and these whom they supported were with three exceptions returned as aldermen. The exceptions were Messrs. Blyea, Armstrong and Smith. Some said Mr. Wallace was on their list of candidates, but it was certainly did not poll the same strength as Messrs. Seaton and Keast.

Mr. Storey got a vote in every ward. He came pretty near getting a "goose egg" in Stanley, but there was one man out there who did vote for him and when the returns were counted he and the Mayor got just as many votes as Mr. Wallace. That was the only ward beside Lorne in which Wallace beat Sears; his vote was 23 and his Worship's 22. There was another man who got a vote in Stanley and he was not in the contest, though it was true that his name was on the official bal-

The Contest is Well Over. Two Hundred and Twenty Nine Men Voted for Storey—Sears Elected—The New Aldermen.



Cock of the Walk.

lot, but he had said through the newspapers that he was not a candidate. His name was William Rankine.

Mr. Wallace polled a very even vote and one that he has no cause to be ashamed of. He is a man practically unknown in civic politics, and has not been before the people actively in any other capacity save his profession, and to know that more than 1000 people are willing that he should be chief magistrate of the city is no slight compliment.

One of the great surprises of the day was the defeat of Alderman Hamm. He has always polled a large vote, and it is said was supported in former years by the same

party that carried his opponent to victory this time. Had he run for Kings ward his fate might have been different, though under the circumstances it is not likely, because in a field of seven candidates for Aldermen-at-large, he would no doubt stand a better chance of election than where he only had one opponent. In spite of the fact that Mr. Rankine had retired, there were 147 people who voted for him. Mr. Allan was the fifth man on the list with 607 votes, Mr. Kickham, 937, and Mr. Jas. Kelly, 427. As Mr. Kickham and Mr. Kelly were supposed, like Mr. Reynolds and Mr. McKeown in the last provincial contest, to be running together, the

difference in their votes was a great surprise; at least to the near friends of the protestant candidate. Mr. Kelly from being an ardent orangeman has within the past few months or a year become a warm supporter of the provincial administration, and has in a measure deserted the party with which he was deservedly popular. Many of his friends thought he would unite his protestant supporters with the following of Mr. Kickham and poll a very respectable vote. To find him 510 votes behind his colleague in the race was however a considerable surprise to those who were acquainted with all the circumstances. Mr. Kelly stood in Dufferin ward himself and

his near friends represented him and Mr. Kickham in Queens. In those two wards the vote came out fairly even, though in Dufferin, which is Mr. Kelly's own ward, he polled 20 votes more than Mr. Kickham. In Queens Mr. Kickham polled one more vote than Mr. Kelly, but in Wellington, which is Mr. Kickham's own ward he polled 125 votes to Mr. Kelly's 18. It is said that in Prince ward, Mr. Kickham got 75 plumpers. Prince ward which is next to Wellington, gave Mr. Kickham 158 and Mr. Kelly 51 while Kings gave Mr. Kickham 86 and Mr. Kelly 16. This will give some idea how the votes ran.

Messrs. Seaton and Keast were elected. Both of them got between 1300 and 1400 votes. Mr. Seaton is not new to the council. He has been there several years and the business of the city will be familiar to him. He was always regular in his attendance at committee and council meetings, and no doubt he will be again. Mr. Keast is a good man to have at the board. A successful business man should make a good alderman, and there is not the slightest doubt but that he will take a great interest in civic affairs.

Perhaps the greatest surprise of the day was the fact that Dr. Christie, who went in with such a tremendous majority last year over Dr. Smith, only beat that same opponent this year 75 votes. That is considered a very small majority, one well within the danger mark, and if Dr. Smith had been able to be out and around for the three weeks preceding the election, there is not much doubt that he would have made considerable difference in the result.

Mr. Allan of Kings ward thought just about half past five o'clock on the day of election that he had been left to private life too, because the vote as it came in indicated that Colonel Armstrong was running him very hard. In the North End particularly the Colonel was very strong, in two wards almost getting two votes for one of his opponent. On the other hand in Carleton and in the big wards in the city, Queens and Prince, Mr. Allan went away ahead of the Colonel and that is all that saved his election and gave him his majority of nearly 60 votes. As Progress said before, either of these gentlemen would make good aldermen, and Mr. Allan's experience on several of the important boards and commissions in the city, has no doubt given him much information that will be of considerable use to him in his new representative capacity.

There was a three cornered contest in Guys ward and Mr. Colwell profited by it by getting 1321 votes against 915 and 853 to his two opponents. Their combined vote was 1773 or more than 453 greater than Mr. Colwell's. Had there been only one candidate in opposition to the latter there is no doubt as to what the result would have been.

MODEST AS WELL AS PRETTY.
An Anecdote That is Told by a New Brunswick School Teacher.

PROGRESS is in receipt of the following anecdote from the experience of a country school teacher. The description of his pretty girl pupil is very readable and is ample evidence of the fact that the observation of the master is as keen as his sense of humor.

"My 5th grade were studying grammar orally. The class consisted of about 15 boys and girls from 9 to 11 years of age with two or three older ones who had failed to pass the grading examination or as fast as their brighter companions. There was one girl in her fifteenth year, who always stood at the foot of her classes. Lillie was tall, well developed and one of the handsomest brunettes I ever saw, except that her large, dreamy, brown eyes lacked lustre and her forehead was slightly low, which defect one could hardly notice on account of her frizzes. Her hair was the darkest brown and hung in a loose braid far below her waist. It was tied some distance from the end with an orange ribbon. Lillie's features were regular and dainty but her great beauty mark was a faultless complexion, the most beautiful combination of pink and white. I was several times asked by visitors who the pretty girl in the back seat, or at the foot of the class, was."

"I was teaching the class gender, and their lesson for the day was to give the masculine or feminine corresponding to the words I had written on the blackboard viz:—I would give the word, man and, the pupil would say, 'masculine: man—feminine: woman'. Next, fox—'masculine fox—feminine: vixen.' Next, tutor: 'masculine—tutor, feminine: Governess'."

"Lillie's word, was beau. She hesitated for an instant, blushed in the most innocent manner, and stammered out 'mascu-

line: beau—feminine stomach' (She thought beau should be pronounced in two syllables and did not like to say the word.)"

OPPOSED TO THE WILLIAMS' BAND.
Obstacles Thrown in the Way of Members of Other Bands Playing With Them.

At least one of the bandmasters of the city is trying to make it as unpleasant as he can for the Williams' Concert Band Co., against which organization he seems to have some peculiar grievance.

The Williams' Concert Band, was formed a short time ago under the leadership of Professor Williams, not with any idea of entering into competition with the city bands or of taking any engagements from them, but simply with a view of gathering together the best musicians in the city and increasing their love for music and their own proficiency as performers. One of the difficulties at the start that they had to contend with was to have a rehearsal evening and yet avoid those which belonged to the other musical organizations. They had fixed upon one which would not conflict with them and it was much to their surprise that shortly after they did so the rehearsal night of the Fusilier's band was charged to the same night they had chosen. Of course some of the members of the Williams' Concert Band belonged to the Fusiliers and among them was George Hart who played alto. Hart's instrument belonged to the Fusiliers band and just before the concert in the Opera House when going to the Williams' band he met the leader of the Fusilier's band who told him in rather an excited way that he could not have his instrument to play with the Professor Williams' organization. Hart gave up his instrument and at the same time announced his intention of leaving the Fusilier's band

The Williams' Concert Band has reached a high degree of excellence and its recent performance has shown the citizens just what good musicians can do when they are under proper instructions. It seems a pity that any difficulties should be placed in the way by any other of the musical organizations.

A CALL FROM CAPT. WYMAN.
The Gallant Captain of the Buteshire and His Handsome Testimonial.

Some two or three weeks ago PROGRESS published an illustrated account of the noble rescue of the American vessel the "Florence J. Allen" by Captain Jacob H. Wyman of the "Buteshire". A few days afterward a bronzed looking man walked into the editorial rooms of this paper and introduced himself as Captain Wyman. The rescue took place some two years ago and the captain says this was the first time he had seen a good account of that stirring event. PROGRESS was indebted for it and the illustration to the Youth's Companion and so the captain was told. There were several instances in connection with it however, that even the excellent story, as published, did not have and one of them was the presentation to Captain Wyman of a gold watch and chain by the United States Government. Rarely has the writer of this seen a handsomer watch or an inscription of more exquisite workmanship. The chain and pendant jewels were remarkably heavy and valuable, and it is no wonder that Captain Wyman prizes the testimonial as he does. He has retired from active service now and is living in Weymouth, N. S.

Sometime after he saved the "Florence J. Allen" the same gallant ship in which he was at that period was lost in the Gulf of Mexico and he and fourteen of the crew had to row twenty miles before they got to land. The vessel was bound for Ship's Island, in ballast, but in some way got out of

her course and was lost. It was a curious circumstance that the boat which saved the crew of the "Florence J. Allen" also saved the crew of the "Buteshire" and those were the only two occasions upon which it was in the water.

KING'S COUNTY ALMS HOUSE.
Four Deaths Since the First of the Year, —Much Disatisfaction.

There have been some complaints from time to time regarding the management of the King's County Alms house at Norton, and a day or two ago PROGRESS received a letter from that place giving the following particulars. Its publication will no doubt result in a beneficial inquiry.

"The residents of Norton were somewhat surprised on Wednesday morning when they heard that two deaths had taken place in the Alms house during the night. This makes four deaths out of twenty inmates since January 1st. The people are also surprised at the circumstances regarding some of those deaths. The way they occur is also strange. Amongst them was that of a man who was found dead in his bed or by his bed side. But there was no inquest and he was hurried off to his grave at a very early date. Still more strange is it that all these deaths occurred during the night. The fact is that all those people, both sick and well are locked in together in the early part of the night and are not seen or heard from till the superintendent calls on them in the morning. This might do for young people but poor old people who are there depending on the care of those in charge of the Institution should be better cared for.

"It is also stated that the Institution has got a fair supply of food but what good is it to the poor old people who are said not to get it regularly. It must be the fault of the superintendent if the people do not receive the food at proper times. Some people

say it is strange that there were not more deaths since January 1st. The chief articles of diet the poor receive are corn meal porridge, bread and molasses. Four or five have made their escape rather than remain.

THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION.
The Salvage Corps Had a Pleasant Time at Its Annual Meeting.

Perhaps the rumor that there was to be opposition to the present captain of the Salvage Corps, accounted in some measure for the very large attendance that was present at its annual meeting last Monday evening, but, to the surprise of many of those who found time to attend and enjoy the pleasant reunion, there was no opposition whatever to the present officers of the corps. With Lieutenant Lawrence in the chair, the nomination of Captain Clarke was moved, seconded, and the nomination closed in just about the time it takes to write this. The same was true of Lieutenant Lawrence and the other officers. The fixing of the time for the annual meeting, was not made to coincide with the date of the civic elections, but the fact that the elections were to come off the next day, induced some of the candidates for mayor and aldermen to put in an appearance, assist in the entertainment and to fraternize with the boys generally.

Candidate Storey did not show up, but he sent a letter which was read and tabled. The composition of it was just about as remarkable as that which entered into his election card, printed in Progress some time ago.

There were plenty of refreshments provided by the captain and the lieutenant, and Messrs. Sears and Wallace, with Alderman McGoldrick made speeches and assisted generally towards a pleasant evening.

Chas's Rescued Cane, Splint, Perfomate, Duval, 17 Waterloo.