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Two weeks from Tuesday the tax payers of this city will choose a new council and at present it looks as if the changes might be quite general.

Since PROGRESS appeared last the situation has become defined somewhat and now there is a good idea as to who really wants to be aldermen. Who the people may want is likely to narrow the situation still more.

As yet there do not appear to be any particular issues brought out in the canvass. Even the old and time worn question of economy is not to the front but of course every candidate takes it for granted that the people know his economical intentions. It did look at one time as though those in favor of greater wharf accommodation might go to the people on that question but that project seems to have died out for the present. Then again the recent discussion on a new assessment law promised something for the people to think about but that too seems to be shelved for the time being. It is not an easy matter to make a new assessment law and it may be taken for granted that no law will be framed that will suit all parties. Had Mr. Hatheway's idea of exempting the smaller incomes and imposing a general poll tax of \$3 been approved of by those citizens who discussed the question the laboring man would no doubt have voted for the advocates of such a measure. But the action of the citizens put aside the whole question for the present.

The mayoralty contest has new and interesting features since last week. The most important of these was the announcement by Dr. Daniel that he would not be a candidate. A requisition was presented to him and after giving the matter careful consideration he decided not to come this year. This was the tenor of his letter to the newspapers Wednesday morning. The friends of Mayor Sears will naturally feel relieved over the doctor's decision because the race between them last year was a very close one and Dr. Daniel has lost none of his supporters. The idea too that a mayor should serve two years seems to prevail more generally than it used to and this too may have had something to do with Dr. Daniel's refusal to come.

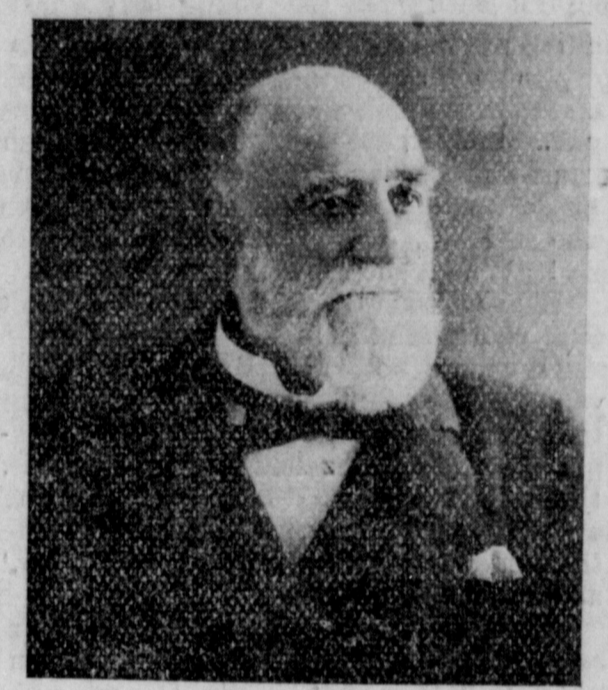
However, it is not coming Mr. John K. Storey is and he is coming in earnest. Notwithstanding the fact that he is a King street merchant and very well known PROGRESS has an idea that there are some people who have not seen him and so was fortunate enough to secure a very recent photograph which pictures Mr. Storey to life. He takes a good picture and the engraver has done him justice. It may be unusual for anyone to have a picture taken with the head covered but it would hardly be possible to imagine Mr. Storey without his hat. That is the way he is known to the people who meet him and consequently that is the way PROGRESS pictures him. Mr. Storey is serious in this matter. He thinks the city wants a new mayor and that he is the man to fill the bill. The present mayor is his landlord but he will not permit his business relations with him to interfere with what he considers a public duty. He has an idea that the time has arrived for him to come to the front and that the people are anxious and ready for him to come. The requisition he received shows the wide and general interest in his course and there was nothing left for Mr. Storey but to come forward. There is no backing out now he says and he evidently is very much in earnest. It is not known just what the nature of his complaint against Mayor Sears is—whether he objects to him in his civic capacity or as a landlord. There is a dim suspicion that he may not suit Mr. Storey in either sense but the issues of the campaign have not got down so fine as that yet.

Mr. Storey is not the only opposition that Mr. Sears will have. The surprise of the week was the announcement that Mr. W. B. Wallace would be a candidate for mayor. Mr. Wallace came forward in a manly fashion. He put his card in the newspapers and asked for the support of the people. He makes no apologies for coming recognizing that it is one of the rights of citizenship to be a candidate for the highest office in the gift of the people. Mr. Wallace did not wait for any requisition. That is one of the incidents of later days and it may be that they are not thought so highly of ever since some years ago a tremendous requisition sought a man to fill a certain office. He accepted and was elected. It transpired afterwards that he had promoted the requisition himself and that the gentleman who circulated it so assid-

SEEKING PUBLIC FAVOR.

Some of the Candidates for Mayor and Aldermen Pictured and Described.

ously was not exactly disinterested. The facts however were never given to the public but were a private source of amusement to those in the secret. Mr. Wallace is a



Ald. J. B. Hamm, Candidate For Alderman-at-Large.

lawyer, and while not as prominent in the profession as some others he has been engaged on many important cases. He is a gentleman of easy temperament and does not take life too seriously. Those who are well acquainted with him take great pleasure in seeking his office and taking part in conversations that are rather of a philosophical nature. With the idea of making the voters better acquainted with his features PROGRESS has secured a large engraving of him which was used recently in a masonic publication. By the way, Mr. Wallace is an ardent mason high in the order and well acquainted with all who belong to it. He is comparatively a young man and up to the present time has not been considered as ambitious in a civic way.

The name of Mr. John McMillan as a candidate for mayor was suggested by a citizen in a letter to the press. Should the suggestion happen to meet with Mr. McMillan's acceptance it would no doubt be satisfactory to a large number of people. Alderman Hamm has not retired but will run as alderman at large. He has represented Kings ward and has had no trouble in getting his election but it was a matter of surprise when after retiring he came forward as a candidate for the whole city. It cannot be said that an alderman at large is any more honorable position than an alderman for any particular ward and that is not the reason Mr. Hamm left Kings and appealed to the larger electorate. It seems

that he promised Col. Armstrong that he would not oppose him in the ward this year and for that reason he retired as alderman of the ward. His name is so well known that he will give some of the other candidates at large all the work they can do to keep up with him. He is a great canvasser and makes more personal effort in this direction than any other man at the board.

But if Ald. Hamm is not going to oppose the colonel, Mr. W. C. R. Allan is and he is not a candidate to lose any time over. Mr. Allan is popular and acquainted with a large number of people in all parts of the city. On the West side he will poll a great vote and the same may be said of him on this side of the harbor as well. He is a school trustee and hospital com-



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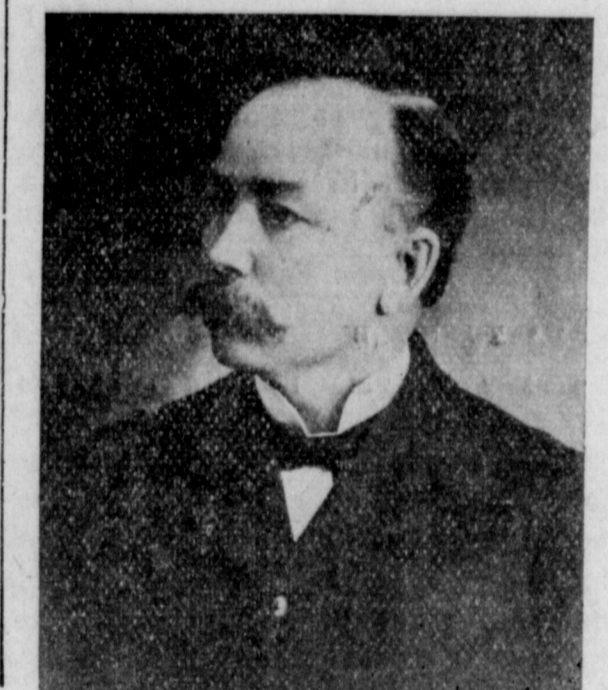
missioner and has been a candidate for the local house. There is good material for an alderman in Mr. Allan.

Colonel Armstrong is a lawyer, well known to conservatives as a hard worker and one acquainted with the ways of politicians. His desire to serve the city is a laudable one as he is too busy a man not to be a loser personally if he is elected.

There is one sided canvass in Dufferin, and Mr. Armstrong is doing all of it so far. Alderman Millidge goes on the principle that if the people want him they can elect him and if they don't why he can stay at home and attend to his private business. Surely that is a happy condition of mind for a man to go into politics with Mr. Armstrong can hardly afford to be as indifferent to public opinion and so he is

working, and work always tells in an election.

Dr. Smith has a hard fight in his contest with Dr. Christie. The latter has the sup-



Capt. J. W. Keast, Candidate For Alderman-at-Large.

Capt. Keast says that while he is in full sympathy with those who are learning something of the burden of taxation, he thinks the municipal heads should, instead of wasting time in tugging out how the tax lion burden may be shifted from one shoulder to the other, encourage such industries that all the people will derive an income therefrom as will enable them to pay their taxes,

part of the aldermen or perhaps not [all of them but of most of them and on the principle of back scratching is sure to get a large vote. Dr. Smith deserves praise for his courage in coming forward with this knowledge and if he can make the right kind of combinations with the new candidates he will have a good chance.

In the field at large there are besides Alderman Hamm, Mr. James Kelly, Captain Keast, Mr. Harris Allan and, it is said, Mr. James Seaton. The chances of Mr. Hamm have been spoken of above and with him and the other three or four the contest should be the most interesting of the day. Mr. Kelly says that he is going to be elected and if one may judge of the reception given Capt. Keast last year he stands excellently well in the minds of the people. Mr. Harris Allan comes out in consequence of a requisition that was presented to him this week. He and Mr. Seaton have been before the people a number of times with varying success. Mr. Seaton, however represented Victoria for a number of years.

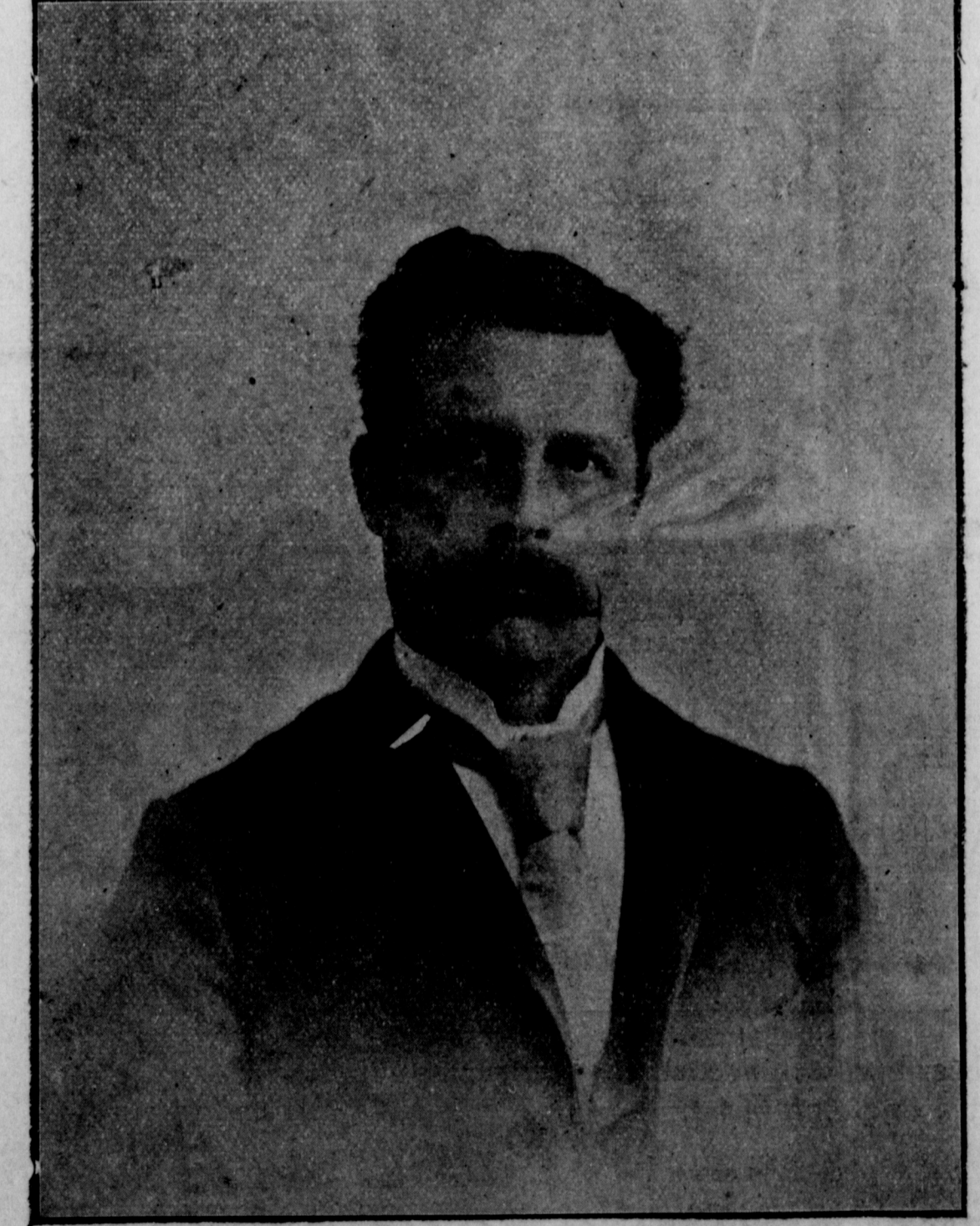
Alderman Tutts is to have opposition in Dukes. Mr. John B. Magee is out as a candidate. Mr. Magee wants to get to work at once.

The opposition to Ald. McGoldrick is said to be encouraged by a gentleman who has been given a good deal of profitable work to do by the city of late and which the alderman helped to secure. If the report is true it does not indicate much sense of gratitude. In the meantime the alderman from Stanley is not showing much concern for he has been in Boston all the week on a business trip.

SUDDEN DEATH OF T. A. CROCKETT.

A Young man who Was Well Known and Well Liked.

The sudden death of Mr. Thomas Crockett this week was a severe shock not only to his immediate friends, but to all of those who knew him, and there were a great many people who knew Mr. Crockett intimately well. He was a young man about thirty-five years of age, and in his short life had made many friends, and few, if any enemies. His place of business was on one of the public corners of the city, though in the residential portion, and it was very well known indeed. Mr. Crockett was a druggist and for many years did an excellent business on the corner of Princess and Sydney streets. His illness lasted only a few hours as he fell in an epileptic fit at half past eleven in the morning and died between three and four o'clock in the afternoon. All that medical skill could do for him was done, but he never regained consciousness, and passed away without suffering any of the pain that is usually associated with so sudden a death. This is a poor consolation however to the sorrowing widow and one



MR. WILLIAM B. WALLACE, Candidate for Mayor of St. John.

child and to the father and mother and other members of his family whom he left to mourn for him.

"Tom," as he was generally known among his particular friends, was an ardent member of Knights of Phythias and much interested in the meetings and progress of that order in the city. His funeral was a very large one and gave some idea of the general regret felt for the sudden termination of so young a life.

A WITTY MENU CARD.

Served at a Horsemen's Dinner at the Border This Week.

The sportsmen of the border are evidently varying the monotony of the season in which they can do no racing by feasting at the banquet board, making speeches, and exercising their ingenuity in concocting witty menu cards. PROGRESS prints one today that was used on the first day of this week at the Queen hotel in St. Stephen, and anyone who is interested in horses, or the work of horses and horsemen, will be both amused and pleased at the happy references associated with the different dishes. Here is the menu.

DINNER AT THE QUEEN HOTEL.

Expense Taken out of the Whisker-Skin Belonging to Willard Eaton.

- MENU.
- Whalebone. SOUP. Horse Tail.
- Eastport Herring, Nominée Cream.
- COLD DISHES.
- Ice Track. La Hoop Jock Bowen.
- ROAST.
- Jock Bowen, a la Chain Gravy.
- Nellie Eaton, a Cap-r Sauce.
- Jim Wilkes, a la Cough-up Sauce.
- Bell Cigar, a la Blow Sauce.
- Johnstoe. GAME. Poker.
- Willis. High Low Jack.
- TONGUE.
- Osborne Lecture, Driver's Sauce.
- Curran Lecture, Old Woman Sauce.
- ENTREES.
- Ten Per Cent. Horse Blankets. Boots.
- Toe Weights. Peck's Nerve.
- VEGETABLES.
- Fembroke Grass, Dudley Sauce. Corn Cob.
- CYBIL.
- PASTRY.
- Round Staled Pie, Cone Make.
- Leather Pie, with Buckles.
- Take Back Pie, Five Dollar Sauce.
- Sponge Pie, Gate Sauce.
- DESSERT.
- Distant Flag. Sent to Barn.
- Oae Hundred Dollars Fine Cake.
- FRUITS AND NUTS.
- Sour Grapes. Snow Ball Shoe. Horse Chestnuts.
- LIQUEURS.
- Milltown Ice. Take Water. Fire Water.
- Peck's Bar-Wire.
- CIGARS.
- The Bell. Black Sheep. C. M. B. A.
- MONDAY EVENING, MAR 20, 1899.

SAYS SHE IS A LAWFUL HEIR.

A Woman Makes Enquiries About an Estate.

PROGRESS is in receipt of a letter this week from a Mrs. James E. Gladish of Higginsville, Missouri, who makes enquiries concerning one Burnett estate in this city, and of which she claims to be the lawful heir. Mrs. Gladish says her grandfather came to this city from Nova Scotia, bought property here, which at his death was left to his eldest son John Graves Dunbar Simco Burnett.

Mrs. Gladish doesn't say what became of her father or how the property passed out of the family.

Persons possessing any knowledge of the affair may find it to their interest to communicate with Mrs. Gladish, Higginsville, Missouri.

Concerning Lenten Observance.

Monsignor Connelly preached a sermon last Sunday morning that was a scathing and severe denunciation of the modern methods of keeping Lent. He spoke of the recent banquets in honor of St. Patrick's day and did not agree with that way of honoring the saint. On his day there was no meat in Lent and the people lived without it all right. But the idea of the names of prominent Catholics appearing in the press as present at a banquet in Lent seemed out of order in the opinion of the venerable prelate.

A Letter Worth Keeping.

Under date of March 22 a resident of Albert County sent a letter to Josh Ward of Dock street which is worth printing and preserving as something curious in that particular line.

"Mr. Joice ward please send By exprise Half pint of alke Hall 2 Bottles Jim and the remainder in Rye whiskey please Send right away Send it in Bottles in a small Box don up in Brown paper
yours truly

Albert Co n B
I have inclosed the in this letter 2\$50."

Chairs Re-seated, Cane, Splint, Perforated, Dural, 17 Waterloo Street.