

The Granite Town Greetings

St. George, N. B., Wednesday March 3, 1909.

No. 35

YOU MAY BE LOOKING

For an opportunity to get a new pair of Corsets

WE ARE READY

To more than meet your expectations. We have twelve to fourteen different styles. Our Spring styles will be opened this week.

A few winter coats will be sold very low to clear

Ladies Underwear, Ladies and Childrens Hosiery a Specialty

Boots and Shoes selling at a reduction

J. SUTTON CLARK,

St. George, N. B.

Town of St. George
Incorporated Oct. 17th, 1904

Mayor: H. R. Lawrence
ALDERMEN
Lawrence Murphy
Charles Johnson
Martin Magowan
Allen C. Grant

TOWN OFFICERS
H. G. McDougall, Treasurer
James O'Brien, P. Magistrate
Alex. D. Herron, Auditor
A. M. Mealy, Street Commissioner
Thos. N. Meating, Marshall
Inspector C. T. Act
Wharfinger
John C. O'Brien, Town Clerk

ASSESSORS
R. D. Harvey, John B. Spear, Hector McKenzie
REVISORS
Charles Johnson, Martin Magowan
POOR COMMISSIONERS
John Crickard, James S. McKay, Emory Greason

STANDING COMMITTEE
Finance, Whole Council
Poor, Magowan, Murphy, Goodell
W. F. Goodell, Johnson, Dewar
S. Bogue, Murphy, Magowan
Ent, Grant, Bogue, Craig
License, Scott, Grant, Bogue
Police, Craig, Dewar, Magowan
By-Laws, Mayor and Murphy
Town Property, Mayor, Dewar and Magowan

DETAILED ACCOUNT
Town of St. George, year ending Dec. 31st, 1908
Assessments
For Salaries \$700 00
" Contingents 150 00
" Streets 700 00
" Schools 2000 00
" Annex School Building 500 00
" County School Fund 284 20
" County Contingents 182 70
" Board of Health 51 43
" Days pay of Councilor 12 00
" Support of Poor 300 00
" Assessing 60 00
\$4940 35
Poll Tax \$3 95
Rate of Assessment on Property and Income per \$100 \$1 38

ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION ACCOUNT 1908
Amount of Warrants \$4940 35
Percentage added by Assessors .05 247 01
\$5187 36
Amount collected by Treasurer \$4786 27
Discount allowed Ratepayers 168 50
Uncollected and in arrears 238 69
\$5193 46

1908 TOWN TREAS. GEN. ACCT. 1908
Receipts
Bal on Hand, Dec. 31st 1907 \$689 40
Taxes 1907 40 61
Taxes 1908 4954 47
Wharf 197 52
Licenses 82 90
Streets 32 38
Contingent 2 00
Police 27 00
Salaries 324 96
County 830 35
Dog License 38 00
Scott Act 60 00
Assessing 1584 00
Schools
Balance on Hand, \$1284 22

POLICE ACCOUNT

By Amt. Fines P. M.
Jan. 8th \$6 00
Apr. 10th 5 00
May 6th 4 00
July 25th 9 00
Sept. 22nd 3 00
\$27 00

SPECIAL POLICE

Jan. 8th pd Levi Goodell \$4 00
Apr. 10th " 2 00
Aug. 13th " 4 00
" " Thos. E. Armstrong 4 00
" " Russell Armstrong 5 00
\$19 00

WHARF ACCOUNT

Feb. 10th, Amt rec'd Milne \$ 2 70
Cottis & Co.
Feb. 10th, Amt rec'd Tayte 12
Meating & Co.
Sept. 8th, Amt rec'd Pulp & Paper Co. 192 20
Sept. 8th, Amt rec'd John Dewar & Sons 2 50
\$197 52

SCOTT ACT ACCOUNT

By Amt. Taxes \$200 00
To paid Thos. N. Meating, salary 200 04
" Jas. O'Brien, P. M. 11 05
\$211 09

STREET ACCOUNT

By Amt. Taxes \$700 00
" Jas. Fraser, relate 5 00
" A. Mahoney, pipe 2 88
" J. Sutton Clark, sewer fee 10 00
" C. H. McGee, sewer fee 13 00
\$732 38

SALARY ACCOUNT

To Paid \$500 00
By Amt. Taxes \$500 00
Jan. 14 John C. O'Brien \$12 50
" Thos. Meating 29 20
Feb. 11 " 29 16
March 11 H. McDougall 50 00
" Thos. Meating 29 16
Apr. 15 " 29 16
" John C. O'Brien 12 50
May 12 Thos. Meating 29 16
June 5 " 29 16
July 15 John C. O'Brien 12 50
" Thos. Meating 29 16
Aug. 13 " 29 16
Sept. 15 Thos. Meating 29 16
Oct. 13 " 29 16
Nov. 15 John C. O'Brien 12 50
Dec. 15 " 29 16
\$524 96

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

By Amt. Taxes 1907 \$43 75
" 1908 193 61
Executions 2 00
Licenses 82 90
Dog License 38 00
\$357 29
Jan. 9 pd Leo McGowan Insurance 19 00
" Fraser Bros. tel. 50
Feb. 10 " T. N. Meating wood 8 00
" Grant & Morin supplies 8 18
" Milne Coutts & Co. rent 10 00
" O'Brien & Gillmor 34 00
Apr. 14 " Greetings Pub Co. print. 17 50
" John C. O'Brien tel. 25

" J. D. Williamson 34 00
" Ernest 34 00
" Jas. Craig 9 75
" Ed. McGlyr 14 25
" Chas. Irish 4 50
" J. Dewar & Son bks 20 10
" Grant & Morin pipe 80 97
" E. A. Greason labor 32 50
" C. Finnegan 4 50
" Wm. Henry 39 37
" Wm. Spiney 36 00
" Duncan McRae 4 50
" Stephen Spiney 4 50
" H. Phillips 28 12
" July 22 J. P. Williamson 27 00
" Ernest 26 00
" Aug. 13 H. Maxwell 91
" Alex. Daigle 11 25
" J. Dewar & Son 18 23
" John Hart 22 75
" Wm. Henry 6 75
" J. Crickard 3 00
" E. A. Greason 2 25
" L. McCarten 10 75
" A. M. Mealey com 25 00
" J. C. O'Brien labor 1 00
" Ed. Murray 75
" Chas. Spres 75
" J. J. McDougall 75
" Aug. 10 A. Kerrighan 15 73
" Sept. 15 Grant & Morin 15 73
" Wm. Spiney 20 25
" " 1 12
" L. W. Goodell 16 75
" John Hart 13 75
" Fraser Bros. oil 8 56
" Geo. Henry labor 6 75
" A. Kerrighan 6 75
" L. McCarten 2 25
" Oct. 16 T. Magowan b work 2 18
" Nov. 11 J. Dewar & Sons 11 99
" A. M. Mealey com 15 00
" W. Morrison labor 6 12
" McGowan & Sons 35 00
" L. McCarten labor 3 20
" L. Murphy 2 75
" Geo. Henry 1 00
" Jas. Fraser 3 00
" Milne Coutts Co. bpd 1 00
" Dec. 15 T. M. & Co. stone etc 32 00
" Geo. Henry labor 12 00
" J. Milliken lumber 2 88
" Wm. Phillips labor 7 50
" L. McCarten 3 00
" Wm. Spiney 3 57
" M. Magowan 25
" Wm. Henry 15
" C. H. McGee lumber 75
\$1117 53

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

By Amt. Taxes \$2302 14
Aug. 13 pd Jas. O'Brien \$240 00
" 26 " 100 00
" 29 " 175 00
" 29 " 150 00
" 29 " 144 00
" Nov. 23 " 100 00
" Dec. 3 " 100 00
\$1584 00

ASSESSING

By Amt. Taxes \$60 00
To paid Assessors 60 00
\$120 00

COUNTY ACCOUNT

By Amt. Taxes \$830 35
To pd F. H. Grimmer County Secretary 830 35

LICENSES

Apr. 22nd D. Jack dry goods \$5 00
" Hodgkin Co. show 3 50
May 16 A. H. Morin dry goods 5 00
" R. H. Todd 5 00
" 30 Oscar Long labor 10 00
" J. T. Sullivan, E. ware 5 00
June 9 Peter Parris dry goods 3 00
" 10 S. E. Hall Co. show 5 00
July 15 W. Messereau pool room 5 00
" 20 W. S. McDonald advt 2 00
Nov. 14 " 3 00
" Mrs. Coutts show 3 00
Dec. 19 " 3 00
\$82 90

DOG LICENSES

G. K. Wetmore 1
G. McGee 1
Rev. H. L. Lynds 1
Charles Murray 1
Rose Mann 1
Rankin McIntyre 1
Rev. John F. Carson 1
Percy Spiney 1
Thos. Kent 1
Wm. Seelye 1
Harry Hinds 1
L. W. Goodell 1
John C. O'Brien 1
Wm. Spiney 1
D. Maxwell 1
Geo. Lee 1
Hubert Phillips 1
Ryveret McKay 1
Geo. McCullum 1
John C. O'Brien 1
A. D. Pringle 1
Harry Hinds 1
J. S. Clark 1
A. C. Grant 1
Chas. McGrattan 1
James O'Neill 1
Burpee Douglass 1
Hazen McGee 1
F. G. Hibbard 1
Thos. Kent 1
\$38 00

The School Board were empowered to borrow Seven Hundred Dollars to build annex to school building. There was also a debt of \$6000 on school building when Town took over schools. All bills submitted to council up to 31st Dec. have been paid.

H. R. Lawrence, Mayor.
John C. O'Brien, Clerk.
To His Worship the Mayor and the Town Council of the Town of St. George:
Gentlemen: Having had all books and papers placed in my hands by the Treasurer, and having carefully examined all accounts and compared vouchers with same, find accounts correct.
St. George
March 3rd, 1909
A. D. Herron, Auditor.

" M. Magowan auditor 10 00
" Mrs. Munroe rent 5 00
" J. Dewar & Sons sta'ny 3 20
" Greetings printing 1 75
" Sept. 15 " 1 75
" Nov. 11 " J. Dewar & Sons 1 80
" E. J. Clark painting hall 2 00
" St. Croix Courier printing 2 00
" J. Dewar & Sons 5 70
" Dec. 15 " John Magowan platform town hall 4 85
" Greetings printing 1 00
" Postage etc. Treasurer 3 50
" Aug. 13 " G. Brown painting hall 20 25
" Ross Mann 19 50
" J. Dewar & Son paint etc 33 46
" Jan. 14 " A. M. Mealy material hall 16 64
\$231 65

Report on the Fisheries of District No. 1, N. B., for 1907

BY INSPECTOR JOHN F. CALDER
Campobello, April 25, 1908.
To the Dominion Commissioner of Fisheries, Ottawa.
Sir,—I have the honour to submit herewith my second annual report on the fisheries of District No. 1, New Brunswick, for the fiscal year ending on the 31st day of March, 1908. The statistics of the different sub-divisions and synopses of the reports of their officers.

I am pleased to be able to report a very large increase in the value of the catch for this year, compared with 1906. The value of the yield for that year was \$1,364,690. This year the value is \$1,554,601; an increase of \$189,910. I have carefully gone over all the different officers' returns, and in all cases where there was a doubt as to their being correct, I have taken the matter up with the respective officers and whenever we found errors we made the necessary corrections, and the return I am sending you is in strict accordance with the facts. A late and boisterous spring handicapped the fishermen, particularly those engaged in the lobster fishery and the salmon fishermen of St. John county, but very high prices were paid for these fish and the men engaged did as well as usual.

HERRING

I have to report a large decrease in the amount of large herring salted in barrels. There were only 2,460 barrels of these cured during this year, against 8,384 barrels in 1906. This decrease is due to the failure of the 'Rippings' fishing ground in the vicinity of the Old Proprietor Ledge off Grand Manan. The large herring on their way to the spawning grounds, Grand Manan Island, generally get lost in abundance on the 'Rippings' during June and July, and the fishermen have only to throw their nets into them during the day and time get all they can cure. The windy weather this year made operations there very difficult, and even when the fishermen could get out the herring acted peculiarly. One day they would be extremely plentiful, and excellent catches would be made but probably do more would be taken for a week. There was also a large falling off in the quantity of herring smoked at Grand Manan. I mention Grand Manan in particular because nearly all the herring smoked in this district are the product of that place. The total output of herring smoked and marketed without any further preparation, was 3,995,700 pounds against 6,345,665 pounds in 1906, but there were 118,540 pounds more prepared and sold as 'boneless' herring than in the previous year. The boneless herring industry is assuming large proportions and is already an important factor in the industrial life of several of the divisions of this district. I am at a loss for a satisfactory reason for the failure of the herring suitable for smoking purposes at Grand Manan. It cannot be attributed to a general diminution of the fishery, for the reason that the previous year was a banner one for that industry. The fishermen claim that the excessive amount of easterly winds that prevailed during last spring prevented the shrimps, upon which the herring feed, from entering the Bay of Fundy, and on that account the usual abundant supply of these fish did not put in an appearance. The enormous catches of herring made on the western coast of the State of Maine this year is corroborative of this contention.

SARDINES

I have to report a gratifying increase of 24,744 barrels, in the catch of sardine herring over the previous year. In 1906 the catch was 227,525 barrels, this year it is 252,269 barrels. Generally speaking, this has been a highly satisfactory season for the important fishery. The newly formed Weir-men's union mentioned in my report for last year, certainly proved itself master of the situation in dealing with the American sardine packers. At first the packers refused to pay the price, \$8 per hoghead, which the weir-men demanded for the run of 'spring herring,' but by loyalty standing by each

other, and their union as well, the factory-men were obliged to come to terms and pass the union schedule of prices. I am sorry that a branch now exists in the union. Owing to difference of opinions regarding the schedule of prices for the coming season, the Deer Island weir owners have left the parent body and formed a local organization to act independently of the older body. The original union has established a flat price of \$6 per hoghead during the whole season, while the Deer Island union has adopted a graduated schedule of prices, dividing the season into four periods, and asking \$9 per hoghead for the first period, \$6 for the second, \$5 for the third and \$4 for the last period.

I have to report a decrease of the catch of salmon for this year compared with 1906 of 235,600 pounds. The weather was so bad during the greater portion of the time the fishermen were engaged in this branch, that operations were almost impossible. Sometimes they could not get out in the bay for three or four days at a time. Very high prices were paid and the fishermen did as well as they usually do. One fisherman at Dipper Harbor told me his catch averaged \$1.75 each fish, and a buyer at Lorneville stated that his supply averaged \$2 each.

You will notice a slight decrease in the yield of this fishery from the previous year. In 1906 the aggregate catch was 8,764 cwt., sold in the shell and the output of the canneries was 80,236 cans. This year there were 8,701 cwt., sold in the shell, and the pack of the canneries fell off to 54,412 cans.

There was a large increase in the quantity of dried cod over last year. In 1906 there were 3,338 cwt. for this district, while the yield of this year is 5,042 cwt., but there is a corresponding decrease in the quantity of cod sold fresh and frozen, and taken as a whole there is very little difference in the catch of the two years.

As pointed out in my preliminary report the season of 1907 will be long remembered as the most profitable one ever experienced. As this fishery does not commence until about the middle of June, the bad weather of the spring which proved so disastrous to some of the other branches did not have any effect upon this. There were 15,560 cwt. of dried hake sold in 1906, and 38,032 cwt. this year. An increase of 250 per cent. The fishermen derived from the sale of their hake and hake-sounds in 1906 \$42,162. This year the proceeds of this fishery amounted to \$113,272. This increase extended to the quantity of haddock sold fresh; 199,925 lbs., were sold in 1906, and 1,486,200 pounds in 1907. While hake were in abundance all over the Bay of Fundy this year, the fishermen of Beaver Harbor, Charlotte county, did the best of any. Several of the small trawl boats, with two men in a boat, stocked upwards of \$2,000 during the summer season at this branch alone.

There was a decrease of a 272 cwt. this year in the total catch of pollock. The shortage is due to weirs at Campobello not taking any this year. The hand line fishermen of Passamaquoddy caught fully as many as last year and received a slightly increased price.

There was a tremendous increase in the output of clams, this year compared with any other year. Last year there were 7,703 barrels exported in the shell. This year the export of shelled clams reached a total of 47,945 barrels. In 1906, there were 538,330 cans of clams packed, and 640,864 cans during this year. The total value of the clam industry for 1906 was \$65,506. The value of the output for this year is \$138,920. An increase of over 200 per cent.

The catch this year was 15 per cent less than in 1906. Overseer Belyea recommends that fishing through the ice be prohibited.

The yield of this fishery dropped from 810 barrels in 1906 to 668 barrels this year. A decrease of 17 per cent.

Fortunately for our fishermen these pests were not very plentiful this season. They seem to be very erratic in their movements, and have not visited this district to any extent for the past two years.