

Warden Allen Proved Himself a Splendid Host

Municipal Politicians and Their Friends Gathered Around the Festive Board Last Evening at Time-Honored Function — Premier Richards Discusses Present Day Problems—Other Speakers Heard.

Warden Charles E. Allan of the York Municipal Council was the host at a very enjoyable supper last night at the York Hotel. In all the guests numbered one hundred and twenty-five and it is needless to say that all enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent. Warden Allan presided with Premier Richards and His Worship Mayor Clark on his right and the chaplain, Rev. M. H. Mason, and Coun. T. G. McMullin on his left, the latter also discharging the duties of toastmaster, which he did in a very efficient manner. Among those who spoke in reply to toasts were Premier Richards, Mayor Clark, Dr. C. C. Jones, J. M. Scott, Dr. M. L. Jewett, and E. C. Atkinson, M. L. A.'s P. J. Hughes, K.C., Warden Allan, John B. McNair and Ex-wardens, Saunders and E. W. Stairs.

The Devon quartette rendered a number of selections during intermissions in the program which were greatly enjoyed.

An excellent repast, which consisted of puree of tomato soup, roast turkey with cranberry sauce, apple pie and ice cream, was served in Landlord Young's best style, and all did it ample justice.

The first toast to the King, proposed by Coun. McMullin, was drunk with musical honors. A toast to the host of the evening came next and was greeted with the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Warden Allan in reply said that his election to the office of Warden was an honor which he deeply appreciated. He extended a hearty welcome to the guests and wished to all the compliments of the season.

An appropriate selection by the Devon quartette followed and elicited hearty applause.

Chaplain Speak

Rev. M. H. Mason, Chaplain of the Council, was the next speaker and delivered a very interesting address. He spoke of his term as Chaplain and the high opinion which he had formed of the members of the Council. He congratulated the Warden on his election and felt sure that he would discharge his important duties in a very satisfactory manner. He believed the Councilors were men of high honor who were faithfully endeavoring to discharge their duties in the interests of the people. The county had been singularly free from crime, due to the fact that the people were loyal and possessed courage and high ideals. He said that the late Sir George Foster and Lord Beaverbrook natives of this province were men of a high standard of whom New Brunswickers should be proud. The people of the province were of the right spirit and should be proud of their stock. Social Service workers were indebted to the County Council for giving them the use of a room in the Court House at a nominal rental.

Toast to N. B.

Coun. Seymour in a graceful speech proposed the health of the Province of New Brunswick. He expressed his pleasure at being present and congratulated Warden Allan on his selection to the highest office in the gift of the Council.

Premier Richards

Premier Richards in replying to the toast spoke kindly words of the warden, remarking that they were natives of the same parish in the good old county of York. He felt sure that the warden appreciated the honor conferred upon him and would discharge his duties in a manner satisfactory to all. Referring to economic conditions he went on to say that all those engaged in the task of government, whether it be civic, municipal or provincial, appreciated the great responsibility that now rested upon them. Every province in the dominion was now facing problems which were not easy to solve, but he could say that New Brunswick was fortunate in comparison with some other portions of the dominion,

and continent. The fact that an agitation was on foot in Philadelphia to urge the American government to borrow five billion dollars to be expended on public works for the relief of unemployment showed that our neighbors to the south also had their problems. The co-operation between the government and the various cities and towns of the province in providing unemployment had worked out well and the result would compare favorably with that of any other province. There had been stagnation in industry and the purchasing powers of the farmer had been greatly reduced. There had also been stagnation in the lumber industry, but there were signs on the horizon of an encouraging nature. The winter's lumber cut was likely to double the estimate made last September, so far as the crown lands were concerned. Undertakings being carried on in York pointed to a revival in the trade of different kinds of timber.

A Trying Time

The Premier remarked that it was a trying time for all who were carrying the responsibility of government, and in that connection he had been struck with a remark made at the council meeting yesterday, that while the county of York was in a fine position the need for economy was urgent. The same would apply with equal force to the province. While New Brunswick had assets and resources, they were not producing such results as would be the case in times of prosperity. That was also the situation in other provinces and in the dominion as a whole. In the administration of affairs prudence, economy and retrenchment were absolutely necessary.

Now New Commitments

He went on to say that he thought the council had dealt very expeditiously with a matter that had been brought up yesterday in connection with the care of tuberculosis patients. Recognition was made of what the government had already done and to the contribution already made. The government was being pressed to take up work previously carried on by municipalities and organizations, but the present time was not the time to take on obligations of that kind. The Federal vocational grant having been withdrawn and it had become necessary for the provincial government to curtail its assistance to that work, and although some organizations were passing resolutions on the subject urging the province to absorb the portion formerly assumed by the Dominion government, he would say definitely that it could not be done. The government was not in a position to add obligations to those already existing and did not propose doing so. All should recognize the fact that the time had arrived when stock should be taken of existing conditions, and it might be necessary to curtail in certain directions. To bring that about it might be necessary to curb capital expenditures, not only in New Brunswick, but throughout Canada. It seemed to be the part of wisdom to as far as possible husband our resources.

The Premier in concluding his remarks made reference to the bond issue of \$5,062,000 now being floated, pointing out that only \$2,000,000 of the amount represented a new expenditure, and made a strong appeal to the people to give it their hearty support. The people of the Dominion had responded so generously to the recent national loan that he felt certain that the New Brunswick issue, which was a very attractive investment, would soon be taken up.

Mr. Scott, M.L.A.

J. M. Scott, M. L. A., was the next called upon and spoke briefly but forcibly. He congratulated the warden, whom he had known all his life as they had been near neighbors. He praised the work of the County Councilors and said he was impressed with their spirit of friendliness. It was

necessary for all to work together in a spirit of harmony and do the very best they could to tide over the present situation. Personally he was carrying on without money or credit, and was doing his best to provide employment. There was depression, but there was no famine, and nobody was going to starve. Things were not so bad but that they might be worse. After a few words of praise for the warden Mr. Scott resumed his seat.

Dr. M. L. Jewett, M.L.A. who spoke next said that the fact that the warden was able to feed such a large family as he saw before him was no indication of hard times. He made kindly reference to the warden and said that he felt sure he would carry on with credit to himself and to the county. The speaker also paid a glowing tribute to the late Sheriff Hawthorne remarking that he had such a kindly disposition that when he served a writ the recipient actually believed for the time being that he was being handed a check. Kingly reference was also made to the late Sir George E. Foster and the late Charles E. Neill. In closing his remarks the doctor said that every effort would be put forward by the Federal authorities to stamp out bovine tuberculosis. He added that with 11,853 miles of highway and 10,000 bridges the task before the government was a heavy one.

E. C. Atkinson, M.L.A. who followed expressed the hope that a market would be found in Great Britain for New Brunswick potatoes. He said that the world was undergoing a process of readjustment, and what was needed was the parsimony of a Gladstone and the foresight and vision of a Cecil Rhodes.

Dr. C. C. Jones

President Jones of the U. N. B., in responding to a toast to our educational institutions, proposed by Coun. Gaynor, said that the Commission on Education which had been at work for four months would have its report ready for submission to the Legislature at its next session. He hoped that every boy and girl in the province would have an opportunity to secure an education and that the burden would be more equitably placed than at present. He paid tributes to the late Sir George Foster, and the late Sir George Parkin both of whom he said had received their early training in rural schools of New Brunswick. He declared that a grant to fight against tuberculosis was really an investment as it meant the saving of human life. He ventured to say that two hundred lives were saved annually in York County alone by modern methods of treatment now in vogue. The president said that while in London last year he had met Lord Beaverbrook who had already done much for the U. N. B. and might do more, and he also met a former York County boy, Hon. F. P. Burden, who was agent general for British Columbia.

Mayor Clark

His Worship the Mayor replying to the toast to the city of Fredericton, gracefully proposed by Coun. Dobie, congratulated the warden and remarking that he was glad to be in a position to reply to such a toast. He could assure them that Fredericton was no mean city. All were proud of its splendid educational institutions, and all were proud to have the Premier of the province for a citizen. Relations between the city and municipality were most cordial and he hoped that they would continue to be so. The statement which occasionally appeared in the press that Fredericton was prosperous was apt to bring undesirables to the city. He cited a case where this had happened and the fare of a man and his wife had to be paid to Cape Breton in order to get rid of them. He thought a market was needed in Great Britain not only for New Brunswick potatoes but for other produce. Great Britain was the world's greatest importing country and led in ships and banking.

P. J. Hughes, K.C. followed His Worship with a brief and witty speech. He remarked that the interests of the county were closely interwoven as the county had sent a mayor and several aldermen to the city. He had listened with much pleasure to the dif-

ferent speakers, and was impressed by their optimistic tone.

The toast to the ex-Wardens of York brought appropriate replies from ex-Warden W. H. Whipple, ex-Warden E. W. Stairs and ex-Warden Frank Saunders.

Secretary-Treasurer J. S. Scott proposed the Union of N. B. Municipalities, which was replied to by J. B. McNair, the honorary secretary.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the very pleasant gathering to a close shortly after midnight.

The list of invited guests besides the County Councilors, included Hon. C. D. Richards, His Worship Mayor Clark, Mayor Walker, of Marysville, ex-Warden W. H. Whipple, ex-Warden W. R. Fawcett, Ald. Arthur Thompson, Ald. Willard Kitchen, Ald. David McCaughey, Ald. C. W. Goodspeed, Dr. C. C. Jones, Rev. W. H. Mason, ex-Warden J. G. Douglass, Dr. M. L. Jewett, M.P.P., J. M. Scott, M.P.P., Ald. A. W. Coombes, H. W. Woods, ex-Coun. J. F. Doherty, Claude McDonald, ex-Coun. H. C. Greenlaw, Fred Coburn, Robert Gay, Alphonse Kelly, William Vaughan, W. C. Burt, Thos. Davidson, Harold Price (Moncton), Wm. Bailey, W. D. Hagerman, P. J. Hughes, K.C., William Jaffrey, J. B. McNair, E. C. Atkinson, M.P.P., ex-Warden E. W. Stairs, ex-Coun. T. H. Wetmore, B. A. Waugh, Charles Dinsmore, David Griffiths, E. E. Burden.

BENEFICIARIES IN WILL OF LATE CHAS. E. NEILL

Montreal, Jan. 6—According to the provisions of the will of the late C. E. Neill, 10 per cent of his estate is to be divided between hospitals and universities after termination of the life interest of a sister in this share of his property.

The tenth interest in question will then be divided as follows:

Victoria Hospital, Fredericton, N. B., two-sixths.

University of New Brunswick, two-sixths.

Montreal General Hospital, one-sixth.

Royal Institution for Advancement of Learning (McGill University) one-sixth.

The will, which was probated this week, contains a number of bequests. Members of his household staff are suitably remembered, as well as those of the secretarial staff of the Bank who had been associated with him for many years. Friends are remembered by bequests of certain paintings and other souvenirs from his house, the balance of the household furniture and effects going to the late Mr. Neill's sister, Mrs. B. C. Foster.

Gifts of stock are made to various connections of the family and the income from the residue of the estate is divided in specified proportions among his sisters, Mrs. Foster and Mrs. R. B. Hanson; his brothers, John, James Stewart and Ralph Douglass Stewart Neill, and eight nephews and nieces. On the death of the present beneficiaries, the capital of the estate goes to their descendants or heirs, with the exception of that share of the estate which is bequeathed to the institutions already mentioned.

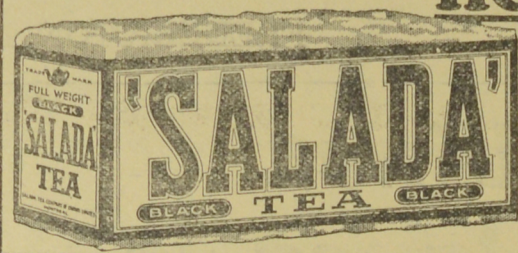
The Executors

Ralph Douglass Stewart Neill, A. J. Brown, K.C., and the Montreal Trust Company are named as the executors and trustees of the will, with the Montreal Trust Company as the managing executor of the estate.

The value of the estate which is disposed of under Mr. Neill's will has not yet been ascertained. The executors themselves are at present unable to give an approximation of the value on which succession duty will be payable although the amount, it is believed, will be considerable.

A dollar goes so far these days that it soon gets beyond reach.

Quality has no substitute



Tea "fresh from the gardens"

Einstein says the fifth dimension Archeologists aside, Noah's flood isn't real but "just a mathematical may have been nothing trivial to a fiction," thought to be similar to the fellow floating around with a door-proposition that two can live as knob, looking for the house that went cheaply as one. with it.

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