

THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL EXPRESSED ITS VIEWS ON IMPORTANT MATTERS

very instructive and the trip had been most enjoyable.

Coun. Ebbett moved that the two vacancies on the County Board of Health be filled by the chair.

The warden appointed Couns. Waugh and Graham to fill the vacancies. Couns Ebbett and Robertson were reappointed.

The following were appointed a committee on assessment: Couns. Ebbett, Wright, Waugh, Doherty, Coburn, Saunders, Whitehead, Griffin, B. Briggs, Barry, Doie, Fisher, Robertson, G. Gould Seymour and Nason.

Farm Produce

Coun. Doherty wanted to know if the county could not impose a tax on outsiders peddling farm produce in the city of Fredericton.

Coun. Gaynor said that the matter was one for the city of Fredericton to deal with.

Coun. Waugh said that Carleton County farmers, who should patronize the Woodstock market sold produce in Fredericton.

Coun. Dunphy said he knew of cases where Carleton County farmers often undersold York farmers in the Fredericton market.

Coun. Grant thought it was a matter of trade and competition and should be left as it was.

Mr. McNair said that the matter had been before the Union of Municipalities and would come up again at the next meeting. In the meantime the council might define its position. He explained that the peddlers act granted an exemption to farmers, but something might be done to stop people from selling other than their own produce.

Coun. Manuel cited the case of a Douglas resident named Hawkins who sold York County produce at up river points as far as Edmundston. The produce sold by peddlers was usually bought from the farmers of the county living in remote sections, which meant they were saved the cost of marketing it themselves.

Couns. Saunders, Dunphy and Barry also briefly discussed the matter. The latter pointed out that some people claimed a high tariff for hard times and in his opinion a tax on farm produce would be a tariff.

Coun. Griffin agreed with the views of Coun. Barry.

After Coun. Doherty had pointed out that his only object in bringing the matter up was to secure an expression of opinion, the matter dropped.

An Indoor Market

Coun. Robertson reported for the committee appointed last year to arrange for an indoor market in the city. He told of a conference with the city authorities and although the proposal had been well received, nothing had resulted. He moved that the vacancies on the committee be filled and that it continue its efforts.

The Warden appointed Couns. Dunphy and Young to fill the vacancies.

Coun. Robertson said that better market accommodation was needed. There were difficulties in the way and it might take some time to carry out the project. It was possible that a building could be erected, providing the land could be obtained at a reasonable cost.

Coun. Dobie wanted to know about market facilities in other places.

Coun. Robertson said that Saint John had an inside market and he considered that kind superior to an open air market. He hoped that the Committee would have something definite to submit to the July meeting.

Wild Land Tax

Coun. Wetmore said that the people of his parish were tied up by land owners, and could not yet any money. The valuers had over-ruled the assessors and there the matter stood. The assessors favored a tax of \$3 an acre, but the valuers had placed the amount at \$2.50.

Warden Morrison agreed with Coun. Wetmore that the problem was a serious one.

Coun. Wetmore said that the companies owning land in North Lake parish, were composed of fine people and deserved right treatment. No doubt they were feeling the depression, but he thought that they should pay the amount of their assessment.

The County Solicitor, speaking off hand, said he thought that the assessors had the necessary power and if

their assessment was not satisfactory the land owners had the right of appeal to the valuers for a reduction.

There was some further discussion participated in by Couns. Wetmore, Manuel and Wright. The latter pointed out that a flat rate of \$2 per acre was fixed on all wild lands but he did not think it was right and should be binding on the assessors.

Mr. McNair, promised to look into the matter and give a considered opinion later in the session.

Coun. Wetmore said that a flat rate on wild land did not appear to be reasonable, as some land was worth more than others.

Coun. Barry did not think it was right to put a flat rate on any land. Nobody should be allowed to dictate to an assessor, as he should use his own judgment.

Coun. Estey pointed out that river island land was assessed at \$75 an acre, which some thought excessive. He wanted an expression of opinion.

Coun. Saunders told of the method of assessing land in his parish. He said that it was assessed at \$40 an acre, but where part was grown up in bushes it was less.

Coun. Dobie said that wild lands were not regarded by the Farm Loan Board as of great value as a security because of the liability of fire. Possibly that was the reason for a flat rate of taxation.

Coun. Barry did not think it was not far distant when the law would have to be revived. He considered a tax of 40 cents an acre for road tax to be too high.

Coun. Grant said there was a feeling in his parish that the pay of assessors was too large in proportion to the pay of other county officers.

Coun. Doherty thought the best plan was to instal a new board of assessors.

Coun. Malone on behalf of the new Councillors invited all to an oyster supper at Lannan's restaurant at nine o'clock.

On motion of Coun. Barry the Council adjourned until ten o'clock Thursday morning.

DUMFRIES, N. B.

Dec. 30—The weather for the past few days has been very disagreeable with a very large amount of snow, making the roads very difficult to walk on.

The Upper Dumfries School held a concert in the Dumfriest Hall last Friday evening. The programme was as follows:

Opening song.—O Canada!—School.
Recitation—Opening Address—Della Love.

Recitation—Joy On Jehosaphat. Gordon Meagher.

Dialogue—The Doctor and His Patient, Four Pupils.

Recitation—Going Home For Xmas—Shirley Scott.

Song—Merry Xmas Day, Six Pupils.

Recitation—A Small Boys Complaint—Melvin Scott.

Exercise—Christmas, Nine Scholars.

Recitation—One on Mamma—Litha Kelly.

Dialogue—The Hypochondriac—Two boys.

Recitation—How Butterflies Grow. Leo Meagher.

Recitation—Neddie's Visit. Earle Kelly.

Chorus—Just Be Merry.—School.

Reading—Old Sugar's Courtship—Norman Embleton.

Recitation—Counting—Billie Rae.

Dialogue—A Wonderful Dream. Glenwood Kelly and Gordon Meagher.

Recitation—Aunt Tibitha. Pearl Meagher.

Song—Christmas Time. Vera Kelly and Pearl Meagher.

Recitation—Pa and the Burglar.—Glenwood Kelly.

Dialogue—Very Bashful—Four pupils.

Recitation—If you're Good. Paulin Lyons.

Chorus—Christmas Stockings—School.

National Anthem.

Mrs. Walter Rae called on Mrs. Fred Ingraham one day last week.

Miss Vera Kelly had tea with Miss Sybilla Carlin last Tuesday evening.

John F. Scott spent Christmas at his home here.

Harry Kelly and Vera Kelly spent Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matthias Meagher.

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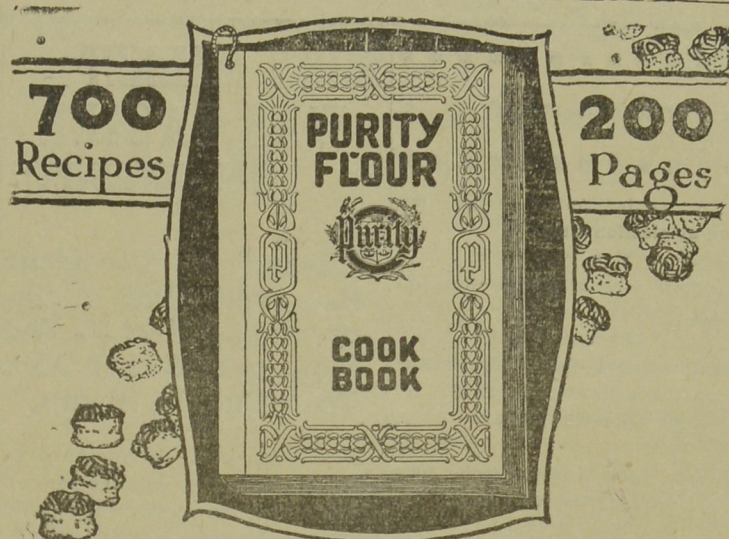
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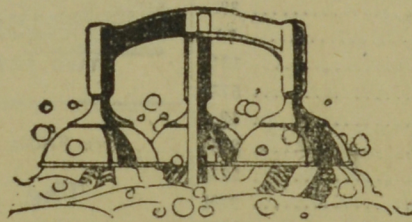
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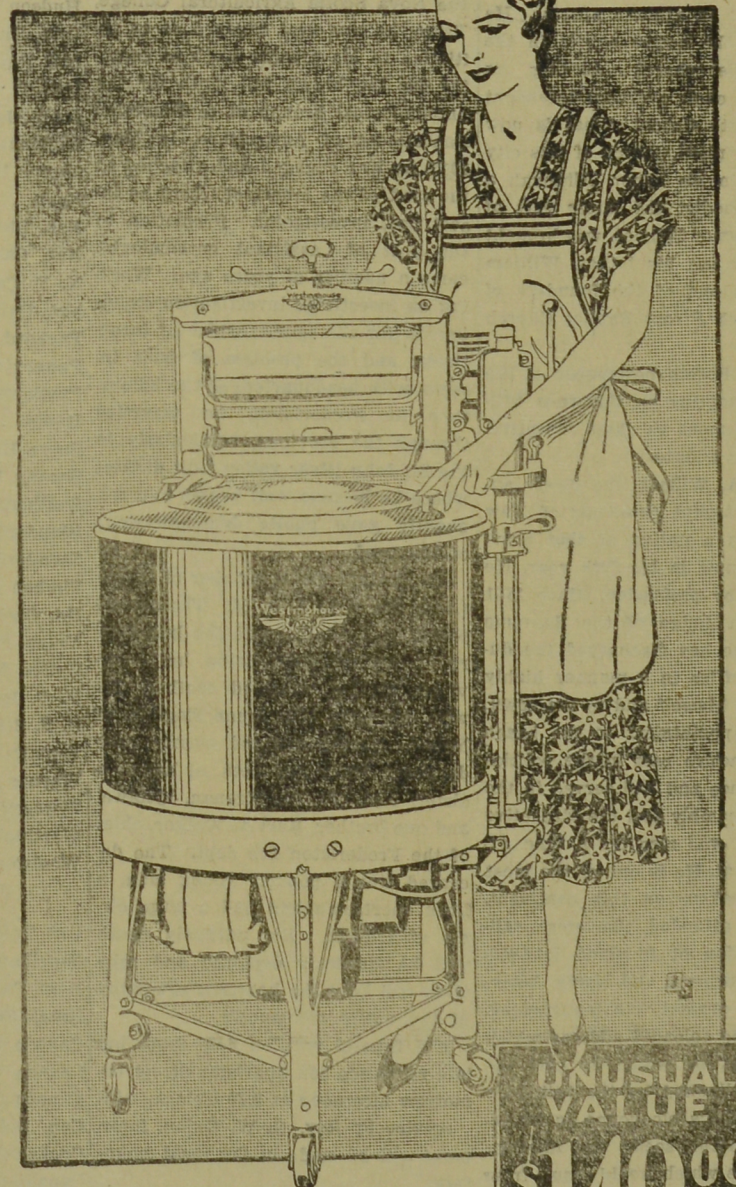
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