

# Mr. James S. Neill New Head of the Local Board of Trade

## Interesting Reports Submitted at the Annual Meeting Last Evening--Committees Have Been Active During the Year--Some Objection to Expenditure Made for Publicity

The Annual Meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade took place last night. The attendance was not as large as it should have been, but the business before the meeting was disposed of promptly. There were several changes in officers. James S. Neill succeeds J. D. Palmer as President, and Ald. T. S. Wilkinson succeeds H. S. Campbell as Secretary. Robert FitzRandolph again was elected Vice-President, and Ald. J. M. Lemont is again Treasurer. There are some changes among the directors.

The chief business of the session was the presentation of the various reports, and that of President Palmer and that of J. T. Jennings, on behalf of the Transportation Committee, are given in full elsewhere in this paper. Reports were also presented by Treasurer Lemont, by Dr. C. C. Jones for the Canadian Club, and by Ald. Joseph Walker for the Publicity Committee. The report of the latter stated practically that it had been found inadvisable to pursue any publicity work during the year. W. G. Clark, who has been a consistent opponent of publicity methods as pursued by the Board of Trade, pointed out that last year, when the publicity grant had been asked for, the argument had been that during war-time there should be redoubled efforts in the matter of publicity. The course followed by the Publicity Committee had been in exact opposition to that argument, and had borne out his own forecast.

The address of the President was considered section by section, some being referred to various committees or the executive for further consideration. The suggestion of President Palmer that the annual membership fee be reduced from five dollars to ten dollars was not adopted, the opinion being that it would be better to allow the fee to remain as it is.

### Those Present.

Among those in attendance at the meeting were: J. D. Palmer, H. S. Campbell, G. W. Hodge, J. T. Jennings, C. W. Whelpley, A. R. Slipp, M. P. P., C. Fred Chestnut, J. A. Reid, Moses Mitchell, W. G. Clark, Joseph Walker, J. S. Neill, J. J. Weddall, J. M. Lemont, Dr. C. C. Jones, F. B. Edgecombe, F. W. DeMille.

Communications received were referred to the proper committees for consideration. J. S. Armstrong, who is absent from the city, wrote a letter in which he touched upon various matters of importance to the Board. On the question of publicity he said he was in agreement with W. G. Clark.

### Publicity Report.

C. Fred Chestnut reported for the Publicity Committee. He stated that during the past year no advertising had been attempted, the committee contenting itself with clearing up some business and paying some bills which had been carried over from the preceding year.

Of the grant for publicity purposes made by the City Council, only \$500 had been drawn. With all bills paid the committee was behind to the amount of some \$181. It should be remembered, however, that the permanent secretary's salary of \$600 and a proportion of the cost of the upkeep of the rooms came out of the publicity grant.

Ald. Joseph Walker presented a statement of the finances of the Publicity Department, showing a deficit of \$181.38.

### W. G. Clark's Comment.

W. G. Clark stated that the statement was surprising, in view of the argument raised during the preceding year that the period of the war was the very time in which an aggressive publicity campaign should be carried on. Such an argument was raised when the grant was asked from the City Council, and also at the last annual meeting of the Board of Trade. It was even advocated that a larger sum than usual be devoted to publicity work.

The action taken was exactly in line with what he (Clark) had said should be done, but he thought that some explanation was due to the Board.

### Mr. Chestnut Explains.

Mr. Chestnut in reply said that he had been largely responsible for the announcement that a more aggressive publicity policy should be followed. However, during the year a majority of the committee had decided that nothing should be done during the year. He had been compelled to bow to the majority.

Mr. J. A. Reid stated that he was one of the members of the City Council acting on the Publicity Commission, and the City Council having a majority in the committee, it was not afraid of any action taken by the committee. It had been hoped a year ago that the war would not outlast the year. The same hope was felt today, and the Board should be ready to begin an aggressive campaign if the war should cease in the present year.

Mr. DeMille and Mr. Hodge were

appointed an audit committee on the accounts of the treasurer of the Publicity Committee.

### Canadian Club.

Dr. C. C. Jones reported on the Canadian Club. His report stated that, owing to the war and the absence of funds, no extensive work was undertaken. The only meeting held was addressed by Hon. Arthur J. Meighen. Later in the year a campaign for the raising of a fund for the purchase of machine guns had been inaugurated. This had proven very successful, five thousand dollars being raised. To this fund Archibald Fraser and the Gunter family had been the most generous donors.

### Treasurer's Report.

Ald. J. M. Lemont, the Treasurer, reported as follows:

#### Receipts.

Bal. Jan. 1, 1915 ..... \$445.72  
Receipts from various sources 460.45

Total receipts ..... \$906.17

#### Expenditures.

Various expenditures ..... \$767.65  
Bal. Jan. 1, 1916 ..... 138.52

Total expenditures ..... \$906.17

The President, J. D. Palmer, read his annual address. On motion, it was decided that the report be entered in the minutes and be taken up later, section by section.

### Mr. Neill Elected President.

The election of officers was then proceeded with.

Secretary Campbell nominated Jas. S. Neill. The latter declined nomination, suggesting that some younger member be nominated. It had been a rule that the Vice-President be appointed to the presidential chair.

Secretary Campbell explained that Robt. FitzRandolph, the Vice-President, had found it impossible to accept the office of President. He had been waited upon by officers of the Board in connection with the matter, but after careful consideration had declined.

Secretary Campbell strongly urged that Mr. Neill accept.

Mr. Neill replied that the younger members should aspire to the office rather than put forward a "back number" like himself.

Nominations were closed, and Mr. Neill was elected.

In a brief speech he thanked the members for the honor conferred on him, stating that he considered the honor the greatest which could be given a citizen of Fredericton.

### Past President's Address.

The address of the retiring President was then taken up section by section. The portion referring to technical education was referred to the executive; that in reference to the possibility of having an extra train on the I. C. R. was referred to the Transportation Committee. The section dealing with publicity matters was left to the executive.

### Membership Fee.

The suggestion that the membership fee be doubled, being increased to ten dollars, caused considerable discussion. Past President Palmer spoke strongly in favor of it, saying that the members who now paid five dollars could as easily pay ten.

Ald. Lemont favored the retention of the five-dollar fee. He felt that there were too many demands on the members for patriotic purposes and there should be no increase until af-

### BOARD OF TRADE

#### OFFICERS FOR 1916

President—J. S. Neill.  
Vice-Pres.—Robt. FitzRandolph.  
Secretary—T. S. Wilkinson.  
Treasurer—J. M. Lemont.

#### Directors—

C. F. Chestnut  
J. T. Jennings  
J. J. McCaffrey  
Dr. C. C. Jones.  
Fred B. Edgecombe  
H. S. Campbell  
J. D. Palmer  
A. R. Slipp, M. P. P.  
G. W. Hodge  
Archibald Fraser  
Moses Mitchell  
W. G. Clark  
David E. Crowe  
C. A. Burchill  
G. Y. Dibblee  
W. S. Hooper  
John Neill  
John J. Weddall  
A. A. Shute  
C. W. Whelpley.

### ter the war.

C. Fred Chestnut was of the opinion that what the Board needed was increased membership. An increase in the fee would not assist in bringing in more members.

W. G. Clark wanted the regular work of the Board carried on, but expressed fear that an increase in the fee would bring about a decrease in the membership. On his motion it was decided that the fee remain at five dollars.

His Worship Mayor Mitchell, as chairman of both the Patriotic Committee and the Recruiting Committee, thanked the Board on behalf of both bodies for the use of the rooms of the Board for the purpose of holding meetings.

The Board then adjourned.

## ABOUT TO ENTER UPON AN ERA OF PROSPERITY

(Continued from page two.) Educational Committee." This committee to be appointed from the membership at large and to hold office during the current year.

### Transportation.

I would also suggest that this board communicate with the Intercolonial Railway management with the view of requesting that the local passenger train which in the summer season runs from Newcastle to McGivney Jet. and return, run right through to Fredericton and return, thereby giving passenger connection from this city with points on the main line by the Ocean Limited in the summer season; the same, however, not to in any way interfere with our present express train service from this city in the evening connecting with the Maritime Express.

### Publicity.

During the past year no new expenditure in the way of advertising has been incurred. Practically the only expenditure has been the Publicity Committee's share of the rent of these rooms, and the secretary's salary. If this office is to be kept open it is absolutely necessary that at least a small grant be given by the City Council. I would strongly urge upon the Board the desirability of maintaining an office, and that after the war is over a vigorous campaign of publicity be entered upon.

I would also recommend that the annual dues of this Board be \$10 per year for membership.

In conclusion I wish to thank the press of this city, also the officers of this Board and members of the executive, as well as the members of the Board generally, for their courteous support during my term of office, and trust that they will extend to my successor in office the same generous and loyal support.

I extend to you all, both individually and as a Board of Trade, my best wishes for a very prosperous year.

J. D. PALMER,  
President.

Mr. Carl J. Mayer, of Columbus, O., is at the Barker House.

## PARALYSED AND HELPLESS

### Prominent Merchant Restored to Health by "Fruit-a-tives"

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## MARYSVILLE COUNCIL IN REGULAR SESSION

### The Town Officials Took on a Pugilistic Appearance.

Marysville, Jan. 12—A special meeting of the Marysville Town Council was held in the lockup Tuesday evening, the question before the board being in regard to our assessment of the Partington Company. Manager R. B. Staples being present, gave a plain, concise statement which brought on a very breezy discussion, the result of which some of the officials took on a very pugilistic appearance. However the matter was settled without bloodshed and it was decided to accept the manager's proposition, namely, that the Partington Company would pay in full the assessment of 1915, providing a strong recommendation be left on the minutes that the matter would be discussed in the present year. Nothing further of importance was discussed and the meeting adjourned.

Mr. Wm. Allan of Penniac, spent Sunday at this place, the guest of his brother, Mr. Ludlow Allen.  
Mr. P. E. Nickerson has a crew of men at work laying a new floor in the weave room of the Cotton Mill.  
Miss Minnie Arnold of the Marysville teaching staff, is confined to her home with a severe cold.  
Mrs. John Cameron was stricken with paralysis and now lies at her home in a critical condition.  
The condition of Mr. Wm. Simpson, who was taken sick a short time ago, has developed seriously and very little hope is entertained for his recovery.  
Mr. John Marshall has moved into the house recently made vacant by Mr. Herman Robinson.

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## INTERESTING REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION

The following report on transportation matters was presented at the annual meeting of the Board of Trade last night by Mr. J. T. Jennings, the chairman of the Transportation Committee:

To the President and Members of the Fredericton Board of Trade:

Gentlemen—The Transportation Committee of your Board beg leave to submit their annual report.  
During the past year the various railway services in connection with our city have been of a generally satisfactory character. It has been a source of regret that the service on the Fredericton and Grand Lake Coal and Railway Company has not been capable of an adjustment which would be more convenient and satisfactory to the commercial interests of the city.

Early in the year your committee filed a protest with the Railway Commission against the freight increases asked for by the railways of Canada. Owing to the distant points at which hearings were held, it was not possible to have our Board represented.

It having come to the knowledge of your committee in March last that a change in the train arrangement on the Canada Eastern Division of the Intercolonial Railway was scheduled to take place on the coming into force of the summer time table, on the authority of your Board, a delegation composed of President Palmer, Mr. Jas. S. Neill and J. T. Jennings went to Moncton to confer with Mr. Gutellius in regard to said change.

This delegation was accompanied by Mayor Mitchell and Ald. McKnight, on behalf of the City Council, and also by Mr. W. E. Farrell on behalf of the Exhibition Association.

A very satisfactory meeting was had with Mr. Gutellius, and owing to the representations of said committee, the arrangement formerly in force was continued on the Canada Eastern Division.

A very special effort was also made to have a service in connection with the Ocean Limited train, but without success.

The opening of the St. John and Quebec Railway between Fredericton and Centreville has proven of great benefit to our city.

The service between Fredericton and Gagetown has not been productive of the best hoped for results, but this, we feel, has been due to the fact that only one train a week has been run on this division.

Very early in the year the matter

of a better train service to Gagetown was taken up with the Intercolonial Railway authorities, and also with the Hon. Geo. J. Clarke, Premier of the Province, but owing to the St. John and Quebec Railway not having a completed line through the lower part of the city it was not possible to secure any better arrangement during the past year.

Mr. Devenish, the new Superintendent of the Intercolonial Railway, visited the city shortly before Christmas and at that time a delegation from the Board waited on him and discussed the question of a better service on the Fredericton-Gagetown section. A daily service was asked for during Christmas and a better service weekly. The daily service during Christmas week was granted, and later on announcement was made that a tri-weekly service on this division would be inaugurated. This service is now in effect.

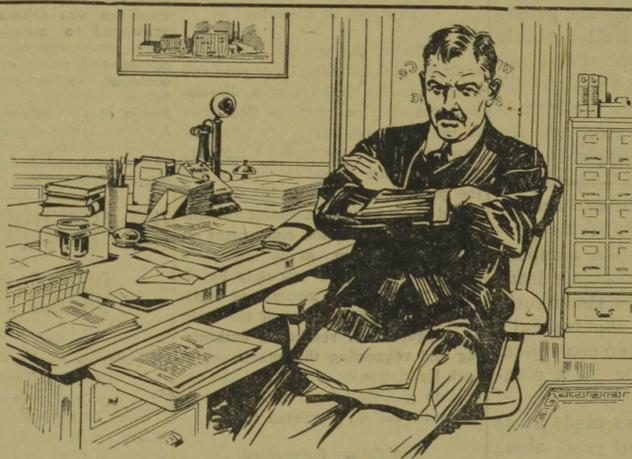
Your committee also dealt with many matters of a minor importance which have come before them during the year which has just closed.

We have to thank the Officers of the Board for their assistance at all times.  
JOHN T. JENNINGS,  
Chairman.

## MY TERRIBLE HACKING AND SPLITTING COUGH WAS ENTIRELY CURED BY DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP.

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