

WANT CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH DISMISSED

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much good.
Coun. H. A. Smith pointed out that a union would be much more powerful than separate municipalities. For that reason it would be well to remain in the union.

Coun. Hunter urged that a membership fee of ten dollars could be paid and membership retained, but no delegates sent to the meeting.

Coun. Pat Graham could see no reason for paying a membership fee. York County could rejoin the Union at any time.

Councillor Neill favored retaining the membership. There had been some excellent discussions before the Union, and stronger organization would produce better results. A protest along that line might be sent by York County to the Union.

Councillor H. A. Smith, seconded by Coun. Douglass, moved in amendment that a membership fee be paid for the present year, but no official delegates be sent at the County's expense. The amendment was carried.

Health Matters Again.

Mr. J. W. Smith, chairman of the Board of Health, then asked to be heard before the Council. He quoted extracts from the Provincial Health Act relative to placarding houses.

At the suggestion of Coun. H. A. Smith, Dr. B. M. Mullin, secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, was heard on the same matter.

In response to Coun. Pickard, Dr. Mullin stated that the Provincial Health Act empowered the ordinary practitioners to placard a house containing infectious disease. His next duty was to notify the chairman of the Board of Health, who then had all power in the matter. If the chairman did not take charge there would be no quarantine.

In response to Coun. Pickard, Dr. Mullin said that one placard was sufficient, but an official of the Board of Health must visit the house.

Mr. Smith stated that he always worked hard as chairman of the Board of Health, and had to maintain a horse. He had not charged for placarding, but for his time. If his work was not satisfactory he could make room for someone else. If a charge for placarding was made in his bill it was really for time.

Councillor Douglass said that Mr. Smith's statement put a new face on the matter. Perhaps the bill should be paid.

Coun. H. A. Smith moved that the bill be paid.

Coun. Thomas Brewer objected to paying for two days which Mr. Smith

had spent in January in trying to straighten out his accounts before the Council.

Mr. Smith's Explanation.

Mr. Smith threw the blame of the trouble over his accounts upon the Secretary-Treasurer, who had not deposited the money in the bank when he should have done so. There was a "nigger in the woodpile" somewhere. He never had had trouble with Secretary-Treasurer Bliss before, and he was surprised that he had acted so. Was he (Smith) to lose two days' pay on account of mistakes by one man? He put this before the Council fairly and squarely like a Christian and like a man.

Coun. H. A. Smith explained that Secretary-Treasurer Bliss had acted as he did toward Mr. Smith only because he was so busy.

The motion to pay the bill was carried.

Coun. Hunter asked for a Scott Act report.

Scott Act Matters.

Coun. Sloat replied that no report was ready, the inspector being out of Fredericton.

Coun. Pat Graham moved that the Scott Act inspector receive no remuneration for the balance of the year.

Councillor Alex. Brewer moved that \$250 be paid to the Scott Act Committee for the prosecution of the Scott Act, to be given to the inspector if the committee deem it necessary.

Councillor Douglass asked for information upon the question of the power of dismissing the Scott Act inspector, whether it was by two-thirds vote or by majority vote.

Councillor Lawson claimed that it should be at once made known who was the Scott Act inspector, and the power should be placed in the hands of the Scott Act Committee.

Various Opinions.

Coun. Douglass said it was not sensible to expect that the inspector would do his work without knowing what his salary was to be. He could say that Stanley never has been as dry as it had been in the last six months. He did not claim it was absolutely dry, but no person was seen drunk there, unless they came from Fredericton. (Laughter.)

Inspector Timmins had been doing good work. The aim should be not

to collect fines but to stop the sale of liquor.

Councillor Hugh Smith said that in Canterbury, a parish inspector had been appointed and had done good work. Canterbury was as near dry as it could be.



Coun. Pat Graham wanted the Council to decide the question of paying the inspector and not leave it to the Scott Act Committee. Personally he was opposed to paying him any more money. His work was not satisfactory. His last report had not been a report at all.

Coun. Hugh Smith said he had no complaint against Inspector Timmins but that official was too far away from Canterbury.

Coun. H. A. Smith thought that the Council should decide what would be done about the Scott Act Inspector.

Coun. Clarence Grant favored every parish having its own Scott Act inspector.

Coun. Hunter said that Manners-Sutton was entirely dry.

In amendment Coun. Douglass moved that Scott Act Inspector Timmins be paid \$250 for the next six months. The amendment was carried.

Coun. Sloat strongly favored parish inspectors, as they would be more efficient than a county inspector.

Coun. Gould stated that Inspector Timmins had not been in North Lake parish since January last. There had been no liquor in the place.

Coun. Sloat claimed that the county was entitled to fines from those violating the law although the real aim was to prevent the sale of liquor.

New Police District.

Coun. Neill moved a resolution that the County Council petition the Provincial Legislature to erect Gibson and St. Marys into a police district. Police protection was urgently needed in those two villages. Coun. Neill said that two-thirds of the drunks there came from Fredericton.

The motion was carried. On the motion of Coun. Alex. Brewer the by-law governing Pound District No. 15, Parish of Douglas, was amended so as to permit cattle to run at large between sunrise and sunset.

The Council then adjourned.

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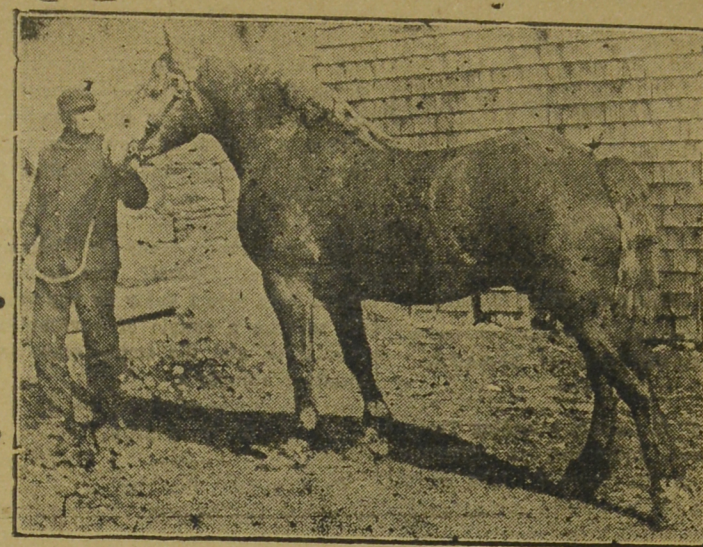
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