

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BEGAN ITS SESSION

FINANCIAL REPORT PRESENTED BY AUDITORS

Balance to the Credit of Both the Road Tax Fund and the General County Fund.

The annual session of the Municipal Council of York County began this afternoon with a large attendance of councillors and spectators. The election of a warden, as usual, was the chief item of business. The election on September last placed many new members in the council and many of the veterans were not present.

The annual financial statement was presented by the County Auditor, Mr. Robert Carter showing that there was a substantial balance on the credit. The report of the auditor was as follows:

The Warden and Councillors of York Municipality,

Gentlemen: I have audited the books, accounts and vouchers from June 30th to November 29th, 1919 thus completing the audit for your financial year.

Moneys received as shown by Cash Book, have been accounted for, and cheques were issued for all payments I have examined the vouchers and cancelled cheques, and certify that the same are in order.

The balance to the credit of the Municipality on November 29th, 1919 was \$1,987.89.

The usual yearly statements have been prepared and are embodied in the Year Book. In my opinion the balance sheet shows the true financial position of the Municipality at the date mentioned.

I have also audited the Books and

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One Year's Horse Shoeing

It cost the city \$55.05 for horse-shoeing during the past year.

In Provincial Hospital

Nine persons from Fredericton are now inmates of the Provincial Hospital at Miramichi, at the expense of the city. The latest monthly bill amounted to \$138.

One Drunk Appeared

One drunk who was arrested last evening appeared before Magistrate Limerick this morning and was fined \$8 or thirty days in jail.

To Consult Specialist

Mr. Alex. Boyd of this city, the well known blacksmith has gone to Montreal to consult a specialist. He probably will be operated upon at the Montreal General Hospital.

Held up Coal Bill

A bill for a ton of stove coal for the police station at a charge of sixteen dollars was held up last night by the City Council in Committee, because the price was considered excessive.

Subscriptions for Hockey Club

Mr. A. J. Wheeler and others are taking around subscription lists for the Fredericton Hockey Club. Public support is reported to be fairly generous.

Had to Weigh in Devon

Owing to the break-down of the city weigh-scales during the autumn the trap-rod purchased for the Roads and Streets Department was weighed in Devon at a charge of five cents per ton. The city scales now are in use again, having been completely replaced.

At Reformed Baptist

This evening the week of prayer was observed at the Reformed Baptist Church. The subject will be "Personal Evangelism" and the speakers for the evening are Rev. J. S. Sutherland and Mr. H. T. Brewer.

Resigned as Manager

Manager John Henderson of the Minto Coal Company stated this morning that he had handed in his resignation as Manager of that Company to take effect immediately. Mr. C. J. Coll who has for some time been engaged in mining in Nova Scotia will accept the position vacated by Mr. Henderson.

Died Monday Afternoon

The death of Miss Harriet Hainey Wiggin Phair occurred in this city yesterday afternoon. The deceased was aged sixty three years, and was a daughter of the late Andrew Stratton Phair. Two sisters and one brother survive, Mrs. Stephen Bishop, Mrs. M. Rainsford and L. B. C. Phair all of this city. The funeral will take place at 2:30 Thursday afternoon with interment in the Old Protestant Burying ground. Rev. Mr. Bate will conduct

HUGE WASTE OF WATER CAUSED BY COLD WAVE

INSTALLATION OF METERS THE ONLY SOLUTION

Recent Cold Weather Caused Twenty-eight per cent Increase in Amount of Water Pumped.

The Water and Sewerage Committee will continue the policy of installation of meters for house services as fast as meters can be installed. By motion last night the City Council endorsed that action. Some fifty meters were installed in 1919 and a number equal to or greater than that will be installed this year. The cost of each meter is sixteen dollars.

Hugh Waste of Water

This policy which was begun some years ago, was made necessary by the huge waste of water during the winter months. The same condition of affairs exists during the present cold wave. Last night Ald. Burpee chairman of the Water Committee, presented a statement prepared by Chief Engineer Malloy. That statement showed that under normal conditions the quantity of water pumped is 553,960 gallons in twenty-four hours with 5,735 pounds of coal burned. In the present cold period the quantity of water pumped is 771,400 gallons in twenty-four hours with 8,125 pounds of coal burned, an increase of twenty-eight per cent in quantity of water pumped and twenty-nine per cent in quantity of coal burned. The actual increase of quantity of water was 217,440 gallons, and in coal 2,390 pounds.

Other Advantages

The statement further pointed out that the increased flow of water caused by keeping faucets open during cold weather made it necessary to operate both low-lift pumps. During periods of normal consumption two filters are used, but with the extra drain on the system three are in use. During the fire at the Auld Kirk Apartments the quantity of water pumped in twenty-four hours was 964,920 gallons with 8,880 pounds of coal burned. This was an increase of seventy four per cent in water pumped and fifty per cent in coal consumed. Ald. Burpee said that general installation of meters or an increase in rates for non-metered water-consumption must be adopted.

On motion of Ald. Barker it was decided to continue to install meters.

Hon. P. J. Veniot of Bathurst is a guest at the Queen.

F. G. SPENCER, LTD. TO GET LEASE OF OPERA HOUSE

SIX MONTHS' TERM WITH OPTION OF EXTENSION

Suitable Operators' Booth to be Installed—Fire Escapes Also to be Constructed.

The City Hall Committee was instructed last night by the City Council in committee to enter into a lease of the City Opera House with F. G. Spencer Limited for six months for ninety dollars per month, with option of extension of the lease for two years at an annual rental of \$3,500. This is the outcome of the negotiations between the City Hall Committee and Mr. Spencer.

F. G. Spencer Limited was lessee of the Gem Theatre which was destroyed by fire some weeks ago. It is his intention to use the Opera House as a picture house until a new theatre is built. Provisions will be made in the lease for sub-letting the Opera House for dramatic performances and other entertainments and also for public meetings.

Ald. Cooper Reported

Ald. Cooper reported for the City Hall Committee upon the propositions which had been made to F. G. Spencer Limited and upon the counter proposition made by that firm. He stated the terms of lease as outlined before, and said also that Mr. Spencer expected the city to expend six hundred dollars on the interior of the house for the six months' lease and one thousand dollars for the two years' extension. Mr. Spencer also proposed an option for a further extension of one or three years after the expiration of two years.

An operators' booth is to be installed by Mr. Spencer to the satisfaction of the Provincial Factory Inspector. The latter had stated that if the booth were satisfactory, fire-escapes would not be necessary.

Fire Escapes Commended

The remark concerning fire-escapes provoked discussion and the opinion was expressed that escapes should be installed whether or not the Factory Inspector required them. The only question was the type of escape which would be best.

It is expected that the lease will begin as soon as the Opera House is ready which will be some four weeks.

Dr. Desmond of Newcastle was registered at the Queen last night.

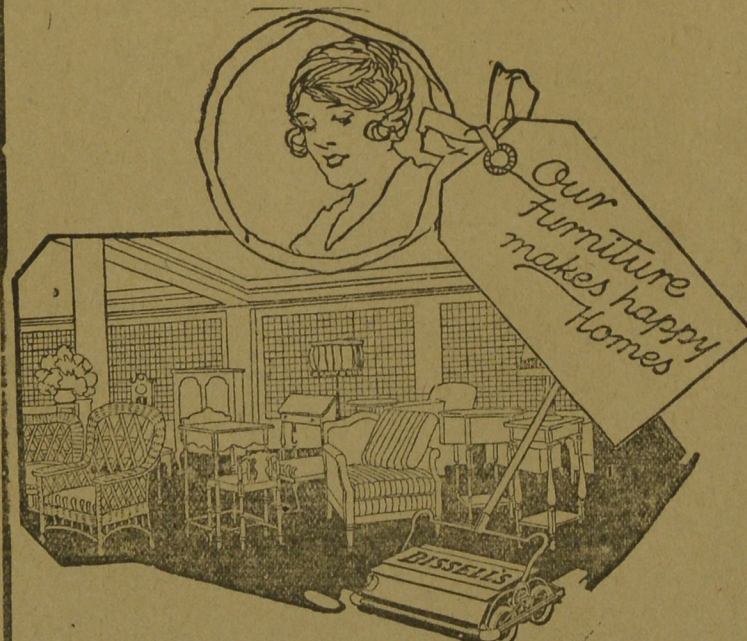
Mr. F. E. Cowan of Woodstock is in the city.

A BIG ROW

TOOK PLACE at the Well Known Jewellery Store of SHUTE & CO., Queen Street, the other day. The storm broke out when all the clocks threatened to go "on strike" if the large Watch sign was allowed inside the store. "Little Ben" commenced to chatter away at the thought of having everybody take notice of the big Watch, and quit when they were in the thickest of the fight. "Little Ben's" brother, "Big Ben," stepped up and took a hand in and the result was that the big Watch was "put out." You can see him hanging right over the door at all times from now on, intimating the place to buy everything in the jewelry line. Established fifty-eight years ago.

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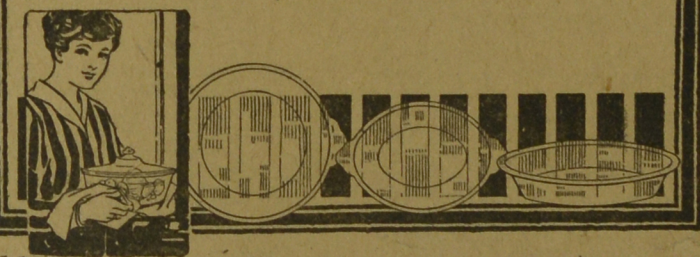
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