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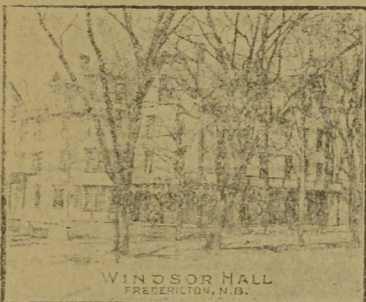
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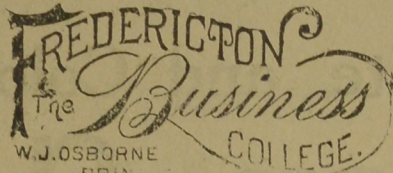
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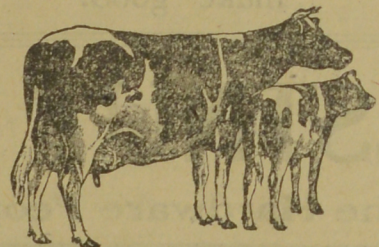
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For Discussion—New Heating Apparatus
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TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The Municipal Council of York County transacted a considerable amount of business. The reports of the Board of Health and the Buildings Committee were adopted and matters pertaining to the county and were discussed at length. The Buildings Committee is to report at the July meeting on the cost of the new heating apparatus recommended for the Court House and the jail. Chairman J. W. Smith of the Board of Health reported no serious outbreaks of disease during the year and a balance of sixty-one dollars to credit of the board. He asked for a grant of five hundred dollars to carry on work of the board during the coming year. The vexed question of Mr. P. S. Watson's bill and the smallpox outbreak at the St. Mary's Indian Reserve again came up. Mr. Smith stated that Mr. Watson still claimed a balance on his bill. The matter of getting a refund from the Indian Department on the expense incurred by the county in connection with the outbreak of the St. Mary's Reserve is still unsettled. Mr. J. S. Crockett, M. P., has been informed of the matter and Mr. Smith thinks he may do something. Hon. Mr. Hazen, he said, seemed to be rather undecided as to who ought to pay those bills.

The councillors during the afternoon also dealt with questions relating to the jail. Ex-Coun. John F. Timmins, the jailer was heard in connection with various matters particularly the escape from the jail of Harry Shortt, the young Montreal man who was given a three months' sentence for robbing the store of Ex-Warden Alex. Skene at McAdam. The jailer explained that Very Rev. Dean Schofield had interested himself on the prisoner's behalf and that it was upon his representation that Judge Wilson had ordered Shortt to be treated with more consideration than otherwise would have been the case. It was by taking advantage of that kindness that he had escaped. Several of the councillors expressed themselves as of the opinion that undue consideration should not be shown prisoners as they were sent to jail as punishment. The opinion was also expressed that the jailer did not have to obey the order of Judge Wilson, but Secretary Treasurer Bliss corrected that. It was decided that in future Jailer Timmins obtain receipts for all fines paid to him in jail by or on behalf of prisoners who may have served part of their sentence and by him handed over to the police magistrate.

COUN. GRAHAM EXPLAINS

Coun. Graham of Prince William took the opportunity early in the session to point out that there was no pound district for the county between the Pokiok Stream and Waterloo Brook. That state of affairs probably was due to an unintentional error on the part of the Secretary Treasurer and anyone was liable to make mistakes. By a bylaw to be found on page 73 of the Revised By-Laws all bylaws passed prior to July 1912 were repealed January 1, 1913. The Revised By-Laws contained on page 66 a by-law relating to Prince William Parish which permitted cattle to run at large on the Lake George Road from Waterloo Brook to Pokiok Stream and upon the connected byroads at any time of the year. Coun. Graham said he wished the people of his parish to know that it was through no fault of his that such a state of affairs had come to pass. In the January session of 1912 he had made a motion with regard to the matter. Consideration had been postponed until the July meeting and at it no action was taken.

BUILDINGS COMMITTEE

Coun. Walker presented the report of the Buildings Committee. The report was accepted and discussed section by section on the motion of Coun. Sterling.

The action dealing with repairs to the buildings and the installation of a new hot-air furnace in the Court House was adopted.

The same was done with the section dealing with the lighting of the jail by means of a flat-rate meter, with resultant saving, and with the section dealing with the purchase of a reduced quantity of soap by the present jailer also with a resultant saving.

COUN. SKENE OBJECTS

The section of the report recommending that a new heating system be installed in the county jail was

spoken to by Coun. Skene, who stated that he thought the caring for prisoners was being carried to excess. He did not have any too much sympathy for those who happened to be placed in the jail. He had been hard hit as many knew. His store had been broken into and the man arrested for that had escaped from the jail. He felt that a system of hard-labor for jail prisoners should be devised. Then the jail would not be so much of a loafing place and not so popular.

Coun. Walker in reply told of visiting the jail and seeing an Indian woman there confined, compelled to wear a heavy coat in a cell in order to keep warm. With the present heating apparatus it was impossible to heat some of the cells.

The report was adopted with the understanding that information concerning the cost of a new heating system at the jail and of alterations at the Court House be given at the July session.

ESCAPE FROM JAIL

Coun. Haining asked for information. If he committed a crime and were sentenced to jail on bread and water, could Judge Wilson or any other judge order him to be taken into a room and fed on ham and eggs? (Laughter)

Coun. Walker stated that Jailer Timmins might be heard with regard to the escape of this prisoner (Harry Shortt) concerning which there had been some criticism.

JAILER TIMMINS EXPLAINS

Jailer Timmins explained that Very Rev. Dean Schofield has interested himself in Shortt's case and had given him a dollar. Shortt by the way had spent that money upon cigarettes. Dean Schofield had informed Judge Wilson that there was a prisoner in the jail who was in delicate health and who had to live upon bread and water. Judge Wilson had informed the speaker that the man had better be given one good meal a day. He would certify the bill and it could be presented to the county. Later on Judge Wilson's advice Shortt was allowed exercise and accompanied by the jailer walked about the jail and the jail-yard. As far as the escape was concerned it had occurred while the jailer was away.

Mrs. Timmins had taken Shortt from his cell to give him a meal. He had as usual been allowed to stay out a short time and then took the opportunity to escape. Efforts to locate or recapture him had failed. Jailer Timmins said he did not feel he was to blame for the escape.

MORE INFORMATION WANTED

"What I want to know" said Coun. Walker, "is what right Judge Wilson had to order that man to be so used that he could escape?"

Coun. Essensa—"Could Jailer Timmins be compelled to do what Judge Wilson told him?"

Secretary Treasurer Bliss pointed out in reply that the treatment of prisoners was changing and efforts now were reformatory rather than directed toward punishment. Prisoners were not sent to jail to be fed on bread and water. The municipality by-law had to furnish a prisoner with bread and water, it could not starve him, neither could it put him in cold storage. (Laughter.)

COUN. HAINING INDIGNANT

Coun. Haining said he believed the law was going to perdition. It had got to the stage when wrong-doing was rewarded. A prisoner was rewarded for his iniquity and was let go. "We are the dupes. The county has to pay the penalty."

Coun. Graham asked the Secretary Treasurer if the Jailer had to obey Judge Wilson's instructions.

Secretary Treasurer Bliss said that the Jailer had to obey them.

JURYMEN'S FEES

Coun. Sloat brought up the matter of jurymen's fees. It was felt by the latter that their remuneration was not sufficient and he agreed with them in that. The Municipal Council however, could not increase the remuneration but the New Brunswick Union of Municipalities might be asked to memorialize the provincial government in the matter.

Secretary Bliss pointed out that jurymen were really not paid as jury-duty was considered a public duty. The fees paid jury-men was in the nature of a recompense for inconvenience suffered. The Union of Municipalities and the Provincial Government had taken that view of the matter.

Coun. Essensa was strongly in favor of increasing jurymen's fees. It was true a school-trustee served without pay, but the positions were not parallel. If jury-duty were a public duty every man should undertake it. Such was not the case under existing conditions.

Coun. Sloat moved that the government be memorialized to increase a jury-man's fees to \$1.50 per day. Coun. Walker seconded the motion. He strongly favored the proposal. On the suggestion of Coun. Hunter the amount was placed at \$2.00 per day.

Coun. Morrison thought grand-jurors should have their mileage increased as they were also placed at great inconvenience.

Coun. Sloat's motion was carried unanimously.

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FINES DISCUSSED

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Jailer Timmins stated that he paid such money over to the police magistrate in accordance with the practice which always had been in force. He had no receipts or vouchers to show, but thought that he should have. He could prepare a statement him.

Of the fines that had been paid to

Secretary Treasurer Bliss explained the county had no jurisdiction whatever over fines imposed for offences committed in the City of Fredericton. The county paid two-thirds of the cost of maintenance of the jail and expenses of administration of justice. It was his opinion that there should be a readjustment of the leases of that joint payment should made knowledge of such subjects as that under discussion was necessary in asking for that readjustment.

On motion of Coun. Graham, Jailer Timmins was instructed to prepare a statement of fines paid by him to the police magistrate tomorrow.

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James Shankie marketed a gobbler at Ridgetown, Ont., recently which tipped the scales at 38 pounds, netting the seller nearly six dollars.

Mr. T. J. Carter, M. P. P., of Andover, is a guest at the Barker House. Will Carleton, the poet, newspaper man and lecturer, died at his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., Wednesday, of pneumonia.

Mr. J. Roy Campbell, barrister of St. John is at the Barker.

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