

LOCAL NEWS

TO ADVERTISERS.

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TWENTY BELOW ZERO.

Last night was the coldest of the winter, the mercury dropping to 20 below zero.

MANAGEMENT SERIES.

In the Management Committee Series at the Curling Rink last night, A. S. McFarlane beat C. F. Randolph 15 to 13, and Dr. A. B. Atherton beat R. F. Randolph 13 to 10.

BACHELOR MAIDENS' BALL.

The chaperones at the Bachelor Maidens' Ball, to be held on Friday evening, January 20th, will be Messrs H. R. Babbitt, J. S. Neil, O. M. Sharpe and Dr. Steeves.

WILL REPORT FRIDAY.

The Police Commission will report its finding in the Gunter investigation to the City Council at a special meeting to be held at 8 p. m. on Friday. The Committee on Legislation will report at the same meeting.

QUEEN'S COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Queens county council will meet in session at the county court house at Gagetown, today at ten a. m. Warden Vandenburgh will entertain the councillors at a supper in the Dining Room tonight.

THURSDAY'S SALE

Ladies who like nice dainty "white wear" and serviceable undermuslins and like to buy them at twenty-five or thirty per cent below ordinary prices, will visit Edgcombe's during the progress of their Big Sale, which begins on Thursday next.

STEWART REACHED ST. JOHN

Henry Stewart of San Diego, Cal., who is walking around the world to advertise the Panama-California World's Exposition to be held in San Diego in 1915 arrived in St. John yesterday. He left Fredericton on Saturday morning.

BACK AGAIN.

Sam Jones, who has been among the missing for some time, appeared in the police court this morning. It was as a spectator, however. He greeted the Chief of Police warmly. Sam has been up river for several months and had a severe sickness while there.

CURLING CLUB MEETING.

The Fredericton Curling Club, at its regular weekly meeting last night elected Mr. A. J. Wheeler to membership. An invitation from the Halifax Curling Club to play at Halifax was received. It was decided that if rinks were sent to play at Truro, they would go on to Halifax.

ST. JOHN RIOT CASE

The case against eleven young men charged with rioting at St. John on New Year's Eve was concluded in the circuit court on Monday. In the case of Frank Hayes and Stanley Brown there was a disagreement of the jury. With regard to Fred Way, W. J. O'Rourke, Chester Smith, Benedict Ryan, Roy Foster, William Hamilton, William Wilson, Joseph Weldon and Frank Jones, a verdict of acquittal was returned. It is unlikely that the Hayes and Brown will again be brought to trial.

LAST NIGHT'S FIRE.

At about 6.30 last evening the firemen were called out by an alarm from Box 31, for a fire in the cellar beneath the drug store of Mr. C. Fred Chestnut. The blaze originated over the furnace on account of a register having become plugged. Mr. Charles S. Whittaker, clerk in the store, discovered the blaze and rang in the alarm. The fire was communicated to the beams and ceiling above the furnace but was put out in a short time. The damage was slight, the greatest part of it being done by smoke.

MR. H. H. SMITH IN CHARGE

Mr. H. H. Smith is now in charge of the business of J. Mackintosh and Co., in St. John, having succeeded Mr. H. P. Robinson in that position. Mr. Smith was in the service of the J. C. Mackintosh and Co. in their Halifax office for some time and their confidence in his ability and integrity is shown by his appointment to the present position. Previous to going to Halifax he had long business experience with firms in St. John. Mr. Smith is also deeply interested in military matters, being formerly an officer in the Army Service Corps and in the 62nd Fusiliers. He is well known here.

Mr. J. W. Green, of McAdam, arrived in the city today.

COUN. ROGERS ELECTED WARDEN OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

Very Little Other Business Transacted at the Opening Session--Secretary-Treasurer Bliss Reports County Finances in Healthy State--Checks May Take Place of Tax Notices.

The York Municipal Council met at the County Court House this morning in semi-annual session, and unanimously elected Coun. Howard Rogers, of Douglas, to the office of Warden for the ensuing year. The proceedings of the session did not last more than half an hour, and was quite formal. Committees were appointed and an adjournment was made until two o'clock.

Retiring Warden McMullin called the meeting to order and the roll was called by Secretary-Treasurer Bliss. The following Councillors answered to their names:

Bright--E. N. Reynolds, Cleveland C. Patterson.

Canterbury--John Depow, Gordon C. Grant.

Douglas--Howard Rogers, George L. Colter.

Dumfries--David M. Carson, Nehemiah Gilman.

Kingsclear--Tabor C. Everett, David A. Essensa.

Manners-Sutton--Samuel B. Hunter, Robert Thompson.

McAdam--Alexander Shene, James W. Green.

New Maryland--Alexander Haining, Clarence Noble.

North Lake--Thomas Wetmore, Hiram H. Veysay.

Prince William--William McMullin, Robert H. Graham.

Queensbury--Isaiah C. Morrison, John F. Timmins.

Southampton--Patrick Graham, Wm. R. Fawcett.

St. Marys--G. Fred Pond, Cornelius Smith.

Stanley--A. Sterling, M. D., Chas. W. Pond.

Rev. Dean Schofield opened the proceedings with prayer.

Warden McMullin congratulated the Council on the prosperous condition of the County and announced that he would follow the usual custom and vacate the office which he had held during the past year. He thanked the councillors and county officers for the courtesies extended to him.



WARDEN ROGERS

Coun. Timmins moved, seconded by Coun. G. F. Pond that Coun. Howard Rogers be warden for the ensuing year.

There was no other nominations and the motion was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Coun. Rogers in a neat speech thanked his brother councillors for the honor conferred upon him. He had been a member of the board three years, he said and had been treated with the greatest courtesy by all the members. It would be his earnest endeavor to faithfully discharge the duties appertaining to the office of warden and he hoped the year upon which they were now entering would be the best in the history of York County. (Applause.)

On motion of Coun. Sterling, seconded by Coun. R. Graham, a hearty vote of thanks was extended to Ex-Warden McMullin for the efficient manner in which he had discharged his duties.

Ex-Warden McMullin thanked the council for the vote of thanks. He had been heartily supported by each and every member of the council and they were deserving the credit for anything that had been accomplished. He hoped the same treatment would be extended to his predecessor.

THE ACCOUNTS

Secretary Treasurer Bliss before submitting his accounts heartily congratulated the council on their selection of a warden. He said that the office of warden of the County of York meant something. At the last meeting of the Union of Municipalities convention the County of York had been honored by the election of one of the representatives to the office of president. He had reference to Coun. Sterling of Stanley.

The Secretary-Treasurer went on to say that the year 1911 would witness the extinction of the debt of the county. Some debentures were falling due this year and would be paid off as soon as they became due. He called attention to the fact that five parishes of the county now had credit balances and the financial standing of the county had improved to the extent of about \$6,000 during the year. The assessment committee had certainly displayed good judgment in preparing the estimates last year. It looked to him as if the time would soon come when the assessors instead of handing each ratepayer a tax notice would be in a position to tender him a check. As there was to be an election during the coming autumn, it might be a good plan to start the innovation this year.

The balance sheet for the past year showed total receipts, including



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a balance on hand at the beginning of the year, of \$34,222.90. The total payments amounted to \$26,941.91, leaving a balance on Nov. 30th of \$7,280.99. The amount paid in by the parishes since Nov. 30th was \$6,007, and the balance still due by the parishes on that date was \$3,932.79. The parishes with credit balances on Jan. 14th, are:

Canterbury, \$70.39.

Douglas, \$456.11.

POLICE MAGISTRATE GIVES WITNESS SEVERE REPRIMAND

Warns Him of Seriousness of Not Telling Truth--Blackmer Robbery Case Tomorrow.

The case against the two local men charged with creating a disturbance in the City Council Chamber during a session of the Police Commission in the Gunter investigation, was completed this morning. The Police Magistrate will give judgment on Thursday morning. Three witnesses were examined this morning in the case. One of them received a severe reprimand from the magistrate, who reminded the witness that he was under oath and the consequences of telling an untruth would be serious. The statement made by the witness was that Policeman Gunter when arresting one of the accused, had said something in French. The statement was rather startling, inasmuch as the policeman claims no knowledge of French.

BLACKMER ROBBERY.

In the Blackmer robbery case. Mr. Edwin H. Blackmer and Chief of Police Hawthorn were the witnesses examined yesterday afternoon. The case will be continued tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock.

Mr. Blackmer identified a portion of the jewelry that was brought from Boston with the accused, Rolston and Flowers. Like his brother, Mr. F. E. Blackmer, he was unable

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New Maryland, \$52.82.
North Lake, \$162.44.
Queensbury, \$551.92.
The total amount due by parishes on Jan. 14th, was \$3,932.79.

The warden appointed the following committees:

Secretary Treasurer's Accounts--Couns. Timmins, G. F. Pond, McMullin, Essensa, Hunter.

Administration of Justice--Couns. F. Pond, Colter, Reynolds, Sterling, and the Secretary Treasurer.

Public Accounts--Couns. Colter, Reynolds, Depow, Carson, Everett, Hunter, Skene, Haining, Wetmore, McMullin, Morrison, Pat Graham, G. F. Pond, C. W. Pond.

Assessment--Couns. Sterling, Patterson, Grant, Gilman, Essensa, Thompson, Green, Noble, Veysay, R. Graham, Timmins, Fawcett, Smith.

On motion of Coun. McMullin the Council separated until two o'clock, to allow the committees to meet.

AN INVESTIGATION

Into the way we conduct our well equipped Optical Department, will convince you that the praise of our many satisfied patrons is not unmerited.

Our eye testing is done as scientifically and carefully as it is possible to do this class of work, and our equipment of modern instruments assures satisfaction.

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