

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING.

President Palmer Advocates Improvements

AT THE POST OFFICE.

And Complains of the Train Service on the Fredericton Branch.

TOURIST COMMITTEE TELLS OF GOOD WORK DONE DURING 1903.

Interesting Discussion Over the Chamber of Commerce Medals.

The Fredericton Board of Trade convened in annual session at the city hall yesterday, and after listening to the annual address of President Palmer, and a report from the Tourist committee adjourned until Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. The president in his address advocated among other things an increase in the staff and better accommodation at the post office, and condemned the unsatisfactory train service on the Fredericton branch railway.

Those present at the meeting were President Palmer, J. W. McCreedy, C. Fred Chestnut, William Lemont, Jas. S. Neill, G. W. Hodge, F. B. Edgcombe, M. Tennant, J. D. McKay, J. D. Painney, R. P. Allen, J. H. Barry, K. C. A. B. Kitchen, George Y. Dibblee, A. R. Slipp, Ald. Scott, and others.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read by Secretary McCreedy and approved.

The secretary read a communication from the secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association in regard to the classification of freights on railways and steamships. It was contended that shippers had a grievance under the present regulations, and the Board was requested to send their views on the subject to the acting minister of railways at Ottawa. The communication was ordered to be placed on file.

The following were elected to membership by ballot: W. S. Hooper, Ald. Scott, A. B. Kitchen, Edward Moore and W. E. Farrell.

THE TOURIST COMMITTEE.

An Interesting Report on Last Year's Operations.

The following report from the tourist committee was read by the chairman, Mr. C. Fred Chestnut, and adopted:

To the President and Members of the Fredericton Board of Trade, Gentlemen,—The Tourist Committee beg leave to submit the following report on its operations for the year 1903:

Your committee was not directly represented at the Sportsman's Show held in New York in the month of February last, but members of the New Brunswick Guides' Association very kindly took charge of a quantity of our advertising literature and distributed the same with satisfactory results.

During the month of March your committee met representatives of the Boston Herald and completed arrangements for the insertion in that widely read journal of an illustrated article on Fredericton and the St. John river. The photos were furnished by the committee and pains were taken to impress the reader with the fact that Fredericton is the outfitting and starting point for the fish and game regions of the province. The article appeared in the Sunday Herald of April 19th, and was highly satisfactory in every respect. A large number of copies were procured and mailed to

seekers of information concerning the city and province.

Owing to scarcity of funds your committee was not able to procure a new edition of the Fredericton illustrated pamphlet during the year, but the number remaining on hand were mailed to personal applicants and sold in the book-stores. The picture postal cards ordered during the previous year, were put on sale at several places in the city and a goodly number were sold, chiefly to strangers. There are still several thousand on hand.

During the past year considerable was accomplished in the way of advertising the wonderful attractions of the St. John River, particularly that section of it between Grand Falls and Fredericton. Acting in conjunction with Mr. C. B. Foster of the C. P. R., and members of the New Brunswick Guides' Association, a successful canoeing trip between these points was planned and carried out during the month of June. Mr. H. F. Albright, an experienced landscape photographer, accompanied the party and secured a large number of excellent photos of the unrivalled scenic attractions of the route. These are now in use by the C. P. R. authorities for advertising purposes and a number have appeared in leading newspapers and magazines. The 120 mile trip from Grand Falls to Fredericton is an ideal one for canoeists and is bound to become very popular.

Your committee during the past year gave considerable attention to "summer outing" parties from abroad and is pleased to report that its efforts along that line were attended with a large measure of success. In former years many communications were received from Americans who were anxious to visit our province and spend the summer months camping along the banks of our forest, lakes and streams, but the difficulty was to find suitable accommodation for them. Early in the spring your committee induced Mr. John N. Murray to erect two neat and comfortable log cabins at Davidson Lake, a beautiful sheet of water in the Parish of Damfrices, two miles from the St. John River. Two families from New York were turned over to his keeping and remained with him for the greater part of the summer. Other visitors came during the autumn months from New York, Boston and points as far west as Iowa, and there is every reason to believe that they embarked for home delighted with the country and with their minds made up to return next season. It is Mr. Murray's intention to build additional camps next summer and engage in the business on a more extensive scale.

There are a number of other beautiful lakes within driving distance of Fredericton, which might with a little effort be converted into attractive resorts for those who annually migrate from the heat and dust of the large cities of the neighboring republic. The business of caring for summer tourists has been made a very profitable one in Maine and the Adirondacks, and it can be made so in New Brunswick if our people will only rise to the occasion. It is not necessary to tell the business men of Fredericton of the importance of having a large number of profitable visitors spending from one to four months of the year in our midst with the sole object of sharing with us the summer and autumn splendors of this favored vacation land. Your committee was only too glad to assist Mr. Murray in finding occupants for his camps, and will do the same for others who show equal enterprise.

It is pleasing to note that the department of crown lands has lately established a trout hatchery at Bartibogus, Northumberland county, and it is understood will soon be in a position to supply trout fry for stocking the lakes and streams of the province.

The marked increase year by year in the number of non-resident sportsmen who visit this province in search of big game is a source of much pleasure to the members of your committee. The number who took out licenses between the 15th of September and October 31st last, as shown by the records of the Crown Land Department, was 308 and the receipts from the sale of resident and non-resident game licenses during the same period amounted to the handsome sum of \$15,224, the largest in the history of the province. When it is taken into consideration that during the year 1896, when this committee was called into existence, the revenue

derived from game licenses was less than \$500, the beneficial effects of liberally advertising the game resources of the province must be apparent to all. While there are people who declare that our big game is on the decrease, and will eventually follow in the wake of the buffalo of the western plains if restrictive measures are not soon adopted, the fact remains that it is a comparatively easy matter for sportsmen to get a moose or caribou to what it was ten years ago, and very few who employ competent guides and put forth a reasonable effort, fail to secure trophies of the chase. While exact figures are not available, it is safe to say that close to four hundred moose heads were taken out of New Brunswick during the last game season, and the amount expended in obtaining them could not have been less than \$150,000.

Your committee has always made it a point to advertise Fredericton as the outfitting and starting point for the great hunting grounds of the province, and the result has more than justified our efforts along that line. The number of sportsmen who visited this city last season was larger than in any previous year, and the amount left by them with our merchants in exchange for supplies was considerable. Now a few had their outings arranged for them by our secretary and in every case the result was satisfactory. Mr. Ralph Pulitzer, son of the proprietor of the New York World, was one of the number and had the good fortune to secure a moose on his second day in the woods. Mr. George Carnegie of Pittsburgh, who visited New Brunswick on a hunting expedition in 1902 as the result of correspondence with your committee, repeated the trip last season and got his full complement of game. A party of five sportsmen from Indiana, and two parties from the old country who came to Fredericton during the hunting season without having previously engaged guides, were taken hold of by our secretary and put on the road to success. Successful trips were also arranged for a number of fishing parties during the season, and letters were afterwards received from them acknowledging the services rendered.

The visit of the Canadian Ticket Agents' Association to our city during the month of October was an event of considerable importance, with which your committee had to do. It was not the original intention of these people to include the river trip in their itinerary, but after we had called their attention to the omission, through Mr. C. B. Foster of the C. P. R., they gladly consented to make the change. The party reached here by boat from St. John in the afternoon and left for the west by special train the same evening. The local government, city council and citizens co-operated heartily in the entertainment of the visitors, and there is every reason to believe that they went away well pleased. From the nature of their occupation the members of the association naturally wield a large influence on tourist travel, and we anticipate good results from their visit.

The destruction by fire of the river steamer David Weston in September last was an unfortunate and regrettable occurrence, and it is to be hoped the Star Line Company will replace her with a boat equal in every respect to the splendid steamer Victoria.

While the exceptionally cool weather of last season in the Eastern States undoubtedly had some influence on tourist travel, it is satisfactory to note that the number of visitors to Fredericton was quite up to the record of former years. No less than 3,338 persons registered at the parliament buildings, and the caretaker reports that at least two thousand others failed to record their names. Comparatively few persons coming to Fredericton for the first time fail to visit the parliament buildings and Cathedral, and are always treated with courtesy and consideration by the officials in charge.

The work of further beautifying the city during the past year has been prosecuted with commendable vigor by the Local Improvement Association, and very satisfactory results have been achieved.

Although the City Council failed to grant financial assistance to your committee last year, they assisted and encouraged its work in other ways, notably by defraying a portion of the cost of entertaining the Ticket Agents' Association and by remunerating the bands of the city for concerts given on the public squares.

Your committee is desirous of placing on record its genuine appreciation of the hearty encouragement and support it has always received from the Hon. Albert T. Dunn, the highly esteemed surveyor

The girl is the mother of the woman just as "the boy is the father of the man." The period when the womanly functions begin is one to be carefully watched and considered. Irregularity or derangement at this time may be promptly met and cured by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. But neglected at this critical period may entail years of future suffering. "Favorite Prescription" acts directly upon the womanly organs giving them perfect vigor and abundant vitality. It removes the obstructions to health and happiness, and delivers womanhood from the cruel bondage of "female weakness."

You pay the postage. Dr. Pierce gives you the book. The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser, 1008 pages, 700 illustrations is sent free on receipt of stamps to defray cost of mailing and customs. Send 31 one cent stamps for the paper bound book, or 50 stamps for cloth bound. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

general of the province. As honorary chairman of the committee, the surveyor general has ever manifested the greatest interest in its work, and has co-operated most heartily in every movement calculated to make the splendid attractions of New Brunswick known to tourists and sportsmen. Without his hearty sympathy and the liberal financial assistance rendered from time to time by the government of which he is a member, the committee would have been seriously handicapped in its work.

Your committee also wishes to acknowledge the valuable assistance rendered from time to time by the newspapers of the city.

The report of the treasurer, showing a small balance on hand, is herewith annexed.

All of which is respectfully submitted. C. FRED CHESTNUT, Chairman.

A statement of the accounts attached to the report was referred to an audit committee, composed of Messrs. Dibblee and Slipp.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Reviews Events of the Year and Throws Out Some Good Suggestions.

President Palmer expressed pleasure at seeing such a good attendance, and made an acknowledgment of the valuable assistance he had received from the members during the year. He then read his annual address as follows:

To the members of the Fredericton Board of Trade.

Gentlemen,—I believe that the commercial interests of our city have enjoyed a very prosperous year, business has been brisk, wages never were better and plenty of employment afforded to every man willing to work. These with the fact that peace and plenty abounds in our land, are subjects of mutual congratulations between us all.

Your council held a number of meetings during the year, but the greater part of the work done has been by correspondence, which in volume last year was more than double of any year preceding since the formation of this board, and has demanded considerable attention by myself and much more from our secretary.

In commercial circles, the principal event of the year was the session of the Fifth Chambers of Commerce of the Empire.

A STUDY OF OLD AGE

Reveals the fact that the blood is usually thin and lacking in the strengthening properties of young folks' blood. If you want to fill your blood with the fire of youth, build up your strength, restore your nerve, just use Ferrozone. It's the most potent tonic known and will renew the flickering flame of an aged life by imparting nourishment to enfeebled organs. Ferrozone fortifies weak systems, feeds the blood, brain and nerves with new life. Try Ferrozone. Price 50c. per box.

We still talk about laying up something for a rainy day, and yet it is the pleasant days that take the most money out of us.

Visitor—Does mamma give you anything for being a good boy? Tommy—None. She gives it to me when I ain't.

IT IS HIGHLY INJURIOUS

To use a cheap drastic physic. Safest remedy for constipation and torpid liver is Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut which loosen the bowels without griping pains. Use only Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Price 25c.

Mr. J. Y. Hemming

Had
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Mr. J. Y. Hemming, London, Ont., writes as follows about his marvellous cure:—"I suffered for years with inflammatory rheumatism which baffled the skill of medical men. I had every form of treatment known to specialists, and visited mineral springs, but obtained only temporary relief. Almost giving up in despair, I was asked to try Paine's Celery Compound, and I thank God such a blessing was brought to my notice. The use of three bottles of the great remedy gave me relief from pain and I slept better. Ten bottles worked for me a complete cure. I have no hesitation in recommending Paine's Celery Compound to all rheumatic sufferers; it cures surely and permanently."

PAINE'S
Celery
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Cured Him.

Medical advice free to all who desire it. Address "Consulting Physician," The Wells & Richardson Co., Limited 200 Mountain St., Montreal, P. Q.

The man who thinks the world owes him a living finds it hard nowadays to collect a debt.

The word "and" occurs 35,543 times in the old Testament and 10,684 times in the New Testament.

WHAT IS CATARRH?

It is an inflammation of the mucous lining of the throat, bronchial tubes and nasal passages excited by germs that can only be destroyed by fragrant healing Catarrhzone, which is breathed direct to the seat of the disease, and has never yet failed to cure. Pleasant to use, absolutely certain to cure. Catarrhzone always gives satisfaction. "I suffered from nasal catarrh so badly that I couldn't breathe through my nostrils, writes G. K. Wilmet of Meriden. I used Catarrhzone for a few minutes and was relieved. It cured in a short time." No other remedy just like Catarrhzone,—it's the best. Two months' treatment \$1.00; trial size 25c.

A Desperate Prisoner.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 11.—Charles Brooks, an inmate of the New Jersey State Prison, is dead, Keeper John Fitzgerald has a bullet in his hip, and Wm. J. Harney, a deputy keeper, is suffering from scalp wounds as the result of Brooks' attempt to escape from that institution. Fitzgerald is expected to recover, and Harney's condition is not thought to be serious, although he was knocked unconscious by a blow on the head with an iron bar used by Brooks. Brooks was polishing brass, when he turned on Harney and struck the keeper over the head several times. Harney was made unconscious, and Brooks, taking the deputy's revolver, started for the centre of the prison. Brooks shot Keeper Fitzgerald, and a number of shots were fired at Brooks by other keepers. He was finally overpowered, and on the way to the cell informed the keepers that he had been wounded.

Later the principal keeper ordered that Brooks be taken to the prison hospital. When the cell door was opened, Brooks was found hanging from a window par by his suspenders and was dead. He was serving a twenty-year sentence for burglary.

"NOT IF IT COST TEN DOLLARS"

A bottle would I be without Polson's Nerviline, writes J. A. Rath, a farmer living near Trenton, Ont. Nerviline is the best household liniment I know. We use it for stomach troubles, indigestion, headache and summer complaint. I know of nothing better to take in hot water to break up a cold, or to rub on for rheumatism or neuralgia." Every farmer should keep a few bottles of Nerviline handy and have smaller doctor bills. Large bottles 25c. at druggists.