

FREDERICTON BOARD OF TRADE.

Important Matters Discussed at the Regular Annual Meeting.

A PROTEST AGAINST EXORBITANT FIRE INSURANCE RATES.

The Board Wants to Encourage New Industries to Locate Here.

TOURIST ASSOCIATIONS REPORT RECOMMENDS CHANGES IN THE GAME LAW.

The Fredericton board of trade at appointed a committee to apply to its annual meeting Monday afternoon the New Brunswick board of underwriters for a reduction in fire insurance rates. Another committee was appointed to deal with the question of bonusing new industries locating here, and to confer with the city council on the subject.

The president, Mr. J. J. Weddall, occupied the chair, and among those present were Messrs. C. Fred Chestnut, F. B. Edgecombe, J. S. Neill, J. D. Phinney, K. C. J. H. Barry, K. C. Henry Chestnut, J. W. McCready, George Y. Dibblee, George W. Hodge, J. M. Wiley and W. L. McFarlane.

The secretary read a communication from the deputy minister of agriculture which stated that arrangements had been for Prof. J. J. McEwen of the Toronto university to deliver a series of lectures on the metric system of weights and measures. These lectures were to be delivered under the auspices of boards of trade and farmers' institutes, and the writer intimated that the professor would visit Fredericton providing the board of trade desired him to do so.

On motion of Mr. Neill the secretary was instructed to communicate with the deputy minister of agriculture and arrange a date for a meeting.

TOURIST COMMITTEE.

An Interesting Report Submitted by President Chestnut.

The annual report of the Tourist Committee was read by the President, Mr. C. Fred Chestnut, and adopted. It was as follows:

To the President and members of the Fredericton Board of Trade.

Your tourist committee, beg to present the following as their tenth annual report.

Early last season advertisements, calling attention to the attractions of New Brunswick for summer visitors were inserted in the New York Herald, Philadelphia Press, Outlook, Recreation, and other high class magazines and newspapers. The result was so satisfactory that it has been decided this year to engage upon systematic advertising on a much larger scale. Including this feature and other contracts already made a programme has been arranged which will more than exhaust the balance reported on hand.

A large edition of picture post cards showing views of New Brunswick scenery, lithographed in three colors, was procured early in June and met with a ready sale in the local book and drug stores and hotels. There is still quite a number on hand and additions of other views will probably be made to those during the season. This is undoubtedly a popular method of advertising and the cost is not great compared with the results achieved.

The magazine advertising done last year greatly increased the demand for the Fredericton tourist booklet, and a much larger number was mailed directly to applicants, many were also distributed through the different tourist agencies of the New England states. Your committee was represented at the sportsman's show which closed in Boston last week, and have been advised that the same was quite successful. Five thousand copies of the Fredericton Booklet, were placed in good hands during the fortnight the show was in progress.

With the object of adding to our collection of views of New Brunswick scenery for advertising purposes your committee early last season inaugurated a photographic competition, offering cash prizes for the three best sets submitted. The results were so satisfactory that in all likelihood the experiment will be repeated.

The most gratifying feature in connection with our work last year was the discovery that salmon would rise to a fly in the river St. John in the pools in the vicinity of Hart's Island, five miles from the city. Upwards of fifty fish were taken in this way last season, chiefly by local anglers. Believing that the sport is likely to be permanent, your committee had suitable photos taken of several of the best pools and will use them for advertising purposes this season.

We regret to report that the number of non-resident big game hunters was less last year than in nineteen hundred and three or nineteen hundred and four. The falling off was no doubt due to the increase in the license fee from thirty to fifty dollars. As New Brunswick is generally admitted to be the best big game country in eastern America the probability is that in a few years this

apparent decrease will right itself.

The committee believes that the Government should seriously consider the advisability of establishing a separate license for non-resident deer hunters. In certain sections of the province where deer abound and there are comparatively few moose, sporting camps have been established with deer hunting as the principal attraction for the Autumn season. The recent change in the law, classifying deer as big game, has seriously handicapped this enterprise. Sportsmen will not pay fifty dollars for the privilege of shooting deer only.

The committee are pleased to report that a large number of trout fry from the Dominion and local Government hatcheries were distributed in this section of the province during the year and it is to be hoped that the policy will be continued in the future and our streams and lakes kept well stocked.

We are also pleased to report that the beautiful Magaguadavic Lakes are being developed as a summer resort, a large hotel having been erected there last season, and a number of cottages are now in course of construction. This charming resort is only fourteen hours by rail from Boston or Montreal, and is bound to become popular as its attractions become known.

Your committee is now making arrangements for representation at the National Sportsmen Show to be held in New York from Feb. 28th to March 8th. This show will afford an excellent opportunity for advertising the manifold attractions of our province and full advantage will be taken of it.

In conclusion your committee wish to express their appreciation and thanks for the aid, assistance and advice, which at all times has so cheerfully been given to them by the provincial Government and especially by the Surveyor General and the officials of his department.

Respectfully submitted,
C. FRED CHESTNUT,
Chairman.

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 8, 1906.

Attached to the President's report was the following statement of Treasurer Edgecombe's accounts:

Fredericton Tourist Association, in account with Fred B. Edgecombe, Treasurer.

By balance, 1905 \$ 142 58

Government Grant 1000 00

Sale of cards & etc., 150 99

..... \$1293 57

EXPENDITURES.

Picture Cards, \$375 45

Photo Com. Prizes, 20 00

Photos, & etc., 6 30

Advertising, 72 69

Postage, ex., freight, &c., 39 05

Stationary, 12 38

..... 525 87

..... \$785 70

PRES. WEDDALL'S ADDRESS.

The annual address of President Weddall was as follows:

Gentlemen,—At the beginning of another year it is a pleasure to me to congratulate the commercial interest of this city upon a successful year just closed.

Generally business has been good, and in many cases expansion has resulted.

The city has met with a severe loss in the burning of two of our saw mills, Estey's and the Aberdeen. We hope arrangements will shortly be completed so that both may again be counted among the industries of the city.

Early in the year your board took active measures looking towards the improvement of the post office service in this city. We met Mr. Ross, superintendent of the department, and pointed out the defects, which, to some extent have been remedied, although there is still room for improvement. We understand that some change is to be made to the entrance which will make it more convenient for the public.

We had under consideration the route of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway through New Brunswick, and an industrial committee was appointed to act with the city council, in bringing before the commission what we believed to be the advantages of the St. John Valley route over the proposed central.

We congratulate our energetic Agricultural Society upon the splendid and successful exhibition held in September, and would bespeak for it the hearty support of this board and the citizens in their future efforts.

We are glad that the city has taken up the lighting of its streets and we hope that it will soon go further and engage in commercial lighting.

THE HERALDS FASHION PLATE.



MISSSES' GRIFFONETTE CLOTH COAT.

A gray griffonette cloth, one of the new water-proof fabrics of the season, is developed into a misses' coat of empire persuasion. This cloth is an extremely fine woolen fabric, which has been submitted to a water-proofing process through which it has lost none of its original body and fine finish. The yoke of this garment ends an inch or so beneath the armhole, the yoke and narrow

front portion cut in one and double-breasted to the neck, which has a narrow roll over collar. A wide stitched belt passes around the body at the joining of the skirt and yoke, and ends in points either side of the double-breasted front. The skirt of this coat is circular, a deep inverted pleat made in the back, a welt seam defining the joining of the skirt to the front portion. The sleeve is the regulation coat pattern, and the pointed end stitched cuff matches the stitched belt.

Our citizens are to be congratulated upon the improved appearance of the lawn and grounds surrounding their dwellings. A great deal of the credit is due to the Local Improvement Society, who, with the limited means at their disposal, have done a great deal towards educating the people in these lines.

The tariff commission met in this city last week, and your board made arrangements for the session, for which they received the thanks of the commission.

We would like to see more of our citizens taking an active interest in the affairs of the board of trade, as in every city so in this, we find some who are continually suggesting but not willing to put their shoulder to the wheel.

In conclusion, I thank you for the cheerful and hearty support given during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN J. WEDDALL,
President.

Fredericton, Jan. 8, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Dibblee, seconded by Mr. Chestnut, the president's address was received and ordered to be entered upon the minutes.

MORE INDUSTRIES WANTED.

President Weddall stated that since entering the room he had been waited upon by the mayor, who had requested that the board offer some suggestions in regard to the bonusing of new industries.

Mr. Hodge said he thought it would be a good plan to try and get new industries, but he was opposed to bonuses. He was in favor, however, of giving free water and exemption from taxation to new industries. He thought the board should appoint a committee to confer with Messrs. Fraser & Sons and endeavor to have them rebuild their mill. The committee could also interview Senator Thompson in regard to the Estey mill site. He believed the city council should buy this site and hand it over to a company willing to establish an industry here. He believed the council should also acquire land on the hill back of the O'Dell property, and hold it for industrial establishments. He was confident that Fredericton was well adapted for a furniture factory and also for a large woodworking factory, such as was conducted by the Rhodes & Curry Company of Amherst.

Mr. Chestnut said that the city council had appointed a committee to confer with Messrs. Fraser, but had not yet had a meeting with them. The firm had intimated that they would not notify the committee when ready to discuss the question.

Mr. Dibblee referred to the action taken by the city council in reference to the proposition of the Messrs. Anderson to establish a furniture factory here. The town of Newcastle had done what Fredericton was unwilling to do and had secured the industry. Mr. Dibblee believed in giving generous encouragement to new industries. He believed that the money given to the Hart Boot & Shoe Company had been paid back three times over.

After some further discussion a committee composed of Messrs. Hodge, Neill and Dibblee was appointed to deal with the matter of granting bonuses and to confer with the city council on the subject.

The report of Treasurer Tennant submitted by Mr. John M. Wiley.

(Continued on third page.)

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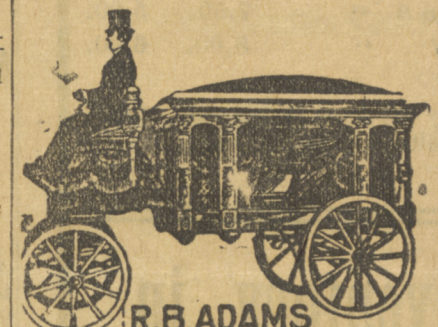
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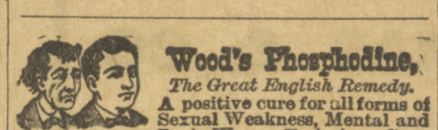
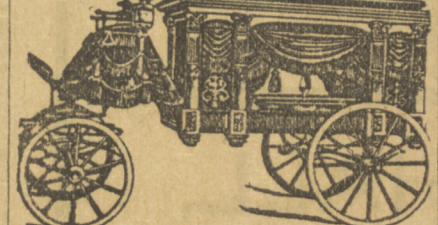
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