

COUNCILLOR RUN OVER.

Coun. Reynolds of Bright white crossing the river to St. Marys last evening was knocked down and run over by a horse and sleigh driven by Mr. Peter S. Watson. The councillor claims that he saw the rig coming behind him and stepped out of the road to allow it to pass. He did not anticipate any trouble and was therefore quite taken back a moment later when he was struck by the horse and knocked down. Fortunately he escaped without serious injuries, although he was bruised about the head, arm and leg. Mr. Watson immediately

stopped and asked the councillor if he was hurt, but failed to explain why he had run over him.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Brunswick Street Baptist church will hold its annual meeting on Friday evening. The meeting will assemble in the church at 7.30 o'clock when reports of the various church organizations will be presented and then Rev. Dr. Hutchison of St. John will give an address. A congregation of about 100 persons is expected. The Ladies' Auxiliary will afterwards be held in the vestry.

PARLIAMENT OPENED.

Contents of the Speech from the Throne--Some Important Legislation Foreshadowed.

OTTAWA, Jan. 21.—(Special)—Parliament was formally opened today.

In the speech from the Throne, Earl Grey, after referring to the bountiful harvests of last year, spoke of the pleasure afforded him in welcoming the Prince of Wales and the representatives of other countries at the Quebec tercentenary.

Reference was made to the signing of treaties with the United States regarding waterways and many other vexed questions.

The country was congratulated on passing through a period of severe depression without suffering to any great extent.

The development of the West requires new means of transportation, the construction of the new Transcontinental railway is being hastened and surveys have been made for the Hudson's Bay line, the sale of Western lands, under pre-emption, pro-

duces a special revenue, making possible the construction of this road without disturbing ordinary revenue. The speech referred to Canada's participation in the Anti-opium conference at Shanghai, and the International Agricultural Congress at Rome.

Reference was made to the Italian earthquake, and the government's pleasure in being able to contribute to the relief of the sufferers.

Judge Cassell's report will shortly be handed in.

The report has already been presented on the Intercolonial branch lines.

Legislation will be introduced calculated to prohibit the practice of giving secret commissions to the civil service, also regarding immigration, insurance, naturalization, and other matters.

The estimates will be prepared with a view to economy.

DELEGATIONS GALORE.

Local Government Besieged at St. John by People who want things Done.

ST. JOHN, Jan. 21.—(Special)—The meeting of the local government was continued this morning in their rooms on Church street.

Last evening's session was devoted entirely to routine business, of which a large amount was transacted.

The full session this morning was taken up with the various delegations which presented petitions to the government.

The delegation regarding the treatment of tuberculosis, consisting of both physicians and ministers, was introduced by Dr. J. P. McInerney, M. P.

The delegation presented a large amount of information regarding the prevalence of tuberculosis in the Maritime Provinces, what was being done in other places, and petitioned the government to make an appropriation of sufficient size to establish a public sanatorium for the treatment of the disease.

The next delegation to appear was from the executive of the Free Kindergarten association. They were introduced by W. F. Hatheway, M. P.

P., and after telling of the work done by the Free Kindergartens, petitioned for an annual grant of \$600 to aid in their work.

W. F. Hatheway, M. P., then introduced a delegation from the Women's council, consisting of Mrs. Emma S. Fisk, Mrs. Colby Smith and Mrs. H. H. Pickett. They presented a petition asking the local government to grant the franchise to all women in the province under the same conditions as those under which women are allowed to vote in municipal elections.

Consideration was promised for all the petitions. The first business at the afternoon session was the reception of a very large delegation from the New Brunswick Temperance Federation, presenting a petition with over 10,000 signatures, asking that the government pass a law prohibiting the sale and manufacture of liquor within the province.

A delegation was also heard from the Fish, Forest and Game Protective association, asking for a grant for the work of their association.

BOARD OF TRADE.

Members of Council met last night and took up Important Matters.

The first meeting of the new council of the Board of Trade was held last evening at the office of the secretary, Ald. Winslow. The president, Mr. Geo. W. Hodge, was in the chair. A number of important matters were taken up.

A committee of three was appointed to have a pamphlet printed, dealing with Fredericton as a manufacturing centre. Among the advantages mentioned were the cheap cost of coal, nearness to the large lumbering supplies and the water and shipping facilities.

Complaints in regard to the train service on the Gibson and Fredericton branches were discussed, and the matter will be taken up with the C. P. R.

The express companies came in for considerable discussion in regard to their increased charges, etc., and the secretary was instructed to write to the chairman of the railway commission, stating particular cases.

The most important matter dealt with was in regard to the building of a railway from this city to Woodstock. It was decided to have resolutions drawn up and placed before a special meeting on Wednesday evening next for further discussion by the full board. The idea most favored was to extend the I. C. R. to Woodstock, running from the city by the western side of the river.

It was pointed out that between this city and Woodstock are some of the finest farms in the province, well settled the full distance by progres-

sive farmers, and were it not for the fact that the farms were most fertile and productive they would be wilderness land, owing to having no railway access to the markets. There is probably no parallel case in Canada where a country with such great possibilities is so neglected.

It was decided to ask the Woodstock Board and all other bodies interested to take the matter up.

DEATH AT HOSPITAL.

John McNabb of Covered Bridge, died last evening at Victoria hospital, after a week's illness from kidney trouble.

The deceased gentleman, who is 69 years of age and unmarried, has a large number of friends along the Nashwaak, who will learn of his death with regret. The remains were prepared for burial by J. G. Adams, and sent to Covered Bridge by I. C. R. express last evening. The funeral will take place from the late home of the deceased on Friday afternoon. Service will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Ramsay.

LIBERAL ELECTED.

Fred T. Congdon, a former Halifax lawyer, and a Liberal, has been elected to parliament in Yukon, and among the three defeated candidates is George Black formerly of Fredericton.

GREAT SPORT.

The Races in the Arctic Rink this evening will be a treat. The contestants will be the fastest that ever visited the rink.

YORK COUNTY COUNCIL

Reports of Committees adopted--Jail may be Lighted by Electricity Some Time.

BOARD OF HEALTH EXPENDITURE WAS LIGHT DURING THE YEAR.

Highway Act Under Fire.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

At the afternoon session Coun. Rogers submitted the report of the committee on public accounts, and the following bills were ordered to be paid:

Board of Health \$121 33
Recorder Colter (postage) 28 35
Dr. Butler, (certificate of lunacy) 4 00
Dr. Duggan (certificate of lunacy) 6 00
The Gleaner L'td (printing and advertising) 35 50
McMurray & Co., (stationery) 14 68
Sheriff (revising voters' list) 40 00
Sheriff (preparing jury list) 25 00
Fraser Saunders (Constable fees) 5 00
C. W. Hall (stationery) 27 98
Secretary-Treasurer (revising lists) 93 60
Secretary-Treasurer (certified copies lists) 43 50
Secretary-Treasurer (services re investigation expenses and administration of justice) 45 00
Secretary-Treasurer (preparing election list for Canterbury) 10 00

The account of Dr. Robertson was referred back to the Board of Health.

The report was unanimously adopted.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Coun. Haining submitted the report of the county buildings committee which was as follows:

To the Warden and County Council of the Municipality of York:—
Your Committee on County Buildings beg leave to report:

During the past year your Committee have looked carefully after the County Buildings and have placed upon them such repairs as was deemed necessary in order to keep them in such a manner that they would continue to be a credit to the county.

The work of grading around the County Court House, which had been contemplated for some time, was undertaken during the past summer, and its completion made a very great improvement in the appearance of that part of the county property.

The wood furnaces of the Court House which were found to be in a very dilapidated condition, have been replaced by new coal furnaces of the very best make, which are giving very good satisfaction, and we believe will be a very material saving in the yearly fuel expenses.

The matter of lighting the County Jail by some better system than that now in use has been considered for some time by your Committee and estimates have been prepared which will be submitted for your consideration.

ALEX. HAINING, Chairman,
HOWARD ROGERS,
CLARENCE N. GOODSPEED,
M. B. McNally.

Coun. McNally said that three electricians had tendered for lighting the jail. Mr. H. W. Prince, for wiring and fitting the jail for electric lights wanted \$235. Mr. W. Allan Staples offered to do the same work for \$335 and Mr. John Howell of St. Marys wanted \$350 for doing the work.

Coun. McNally explained that Mr. Carrier of the Monitor Manufacturing Company had reported that acetylene as would not be suitable for the jail.

Coun. McNally said that the committee wanted the opinion of the council as to what action should be taken with respect to the tenders.

COUN. GRAHAM'S KICK.

Coun. Graham complained that there was altogether too much authority given to the committee. As a representative of Southampton he had nothing to say about how the money was expended. He cited "that trip to Ottawa" as a case in the point.

Coun. Haining moved, seconded by Coun. Rogers that electric lights be installed at the jail.

Coun. Cronley moved as an amendment, seconded by Coun. Farrell, that the matter lay over until July.

The amendment was carried by a vote of 16 to 10.

COUNTY ASSESSMENT.

Coun. Sterling submitted the report of the assessment committee, which recommended the following assessments for 1909:

To pay Debentures \$ 900 00
Interest 180 00
Constables 225 00
Coroners 200 00
County Buildings 1800 00
Lunatics 160 00
Miscellaneous 2600 00
Postage and Printing 550 00
Revisors 600 00
Salaries 1300 00
Sheriff 327 00
Witnesses 250 00

Total \$8060 00

Less City's share of administration of justice account \$1700 00

Board of Health \$6360 00

County Buildings 400 00

Total \$7,840 00

The report was unanimously adopted.

Coun. Goodspeed moved that a committee of three be appointed to look into an alleged over assessment for the town of Marysville, and report at the July meeting.

The resolution was adopted and Couns. Goodspeed, Pond, and Rogers were appointed as the committee.

Mr. Bliss in reply to Coun. Cronley said the law empowered the assessors to exempt from the payment of a poll tax all persons over sixty years of age. The law made no provision for the refund of the money after it had been paid in such cases.

On motion of Coun. Cronley it was ordered that the poll tax of Joseph L. Gould, covering a period of four years be refunded to him and charged to the road account. Carried.

On motion of Coun. Everett, the committee appointed to look into certain land titles at Crook's Point, was continued until the July meeting.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Mr. Bliss read the following report from the Board of Health which was adopted:

Nashwaak Village,

January 18, 1909.

To the County Council of the County of York:

Gentlemen,—I beg leave to submit the following report of the Local Board of Health for the County of York, concerning the financial and sanitary condition for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1908.

On September 18th I received notice that scarlet fever had broken out in Gibson. We did what we could to prevent its spreading by quarantining and fumigating, yet it became quite prevalent. We closed the school and fumigated the house. Up to December 31st we have dealt with nineteen cases, which have all recovered, and there are no more cases on hand since January 1st in St. Mary's.

I have been notified of two cases of typhoid fever and one of scarlet fever elsewhere, which recovered. Also of six or seven cases of diphtheria at Grant's Crossing, Canterbury, all of which recovered but one. These cases were all under the care of Dr. W. L. Turner, who reported that he took every precaution to prevent its spread by closing the school, fumigating, etc.

In September my attention was called by Dr. Robertson to a case of small pox (so called) on Keswick Ridge. It was of a mild type, the patient recovered and the disease spread no further.

(Sgd) JAS. W. SMITH,
Chairman.

The report of Register of Deeds, T. H. Colter, showed receipts amounting to \$2,100.35. Of this amount \$2,000 was paid in salaries, and the balance was paid to the secretary treasurer.

Coun. Timmins moved that the council adjourn until ten o'clock on Thursday morning, to allow the committee on the highway act to finish its labors.

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