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## In the Municipal Council

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### Report of the Superintendent of the Annapolis County Hospital

Municipality of Annapolis Co.:  
To the Warden and Councillors of the  
Gentlemen:

I beg leave to submit the Superintendent's report of the Annapolis County Hospital for the year ending November 30th, 1911.

RECORD OF INMATES 1910-1911.  
No. of inmates Nov. 30, 1910 ... 54  
Admitted during the year ... 6  
Discharged ... 5  
Died ... 6

No. of inmates Nov. 30th, 1911 49  
Reference to the above table will show that five patients were discharged during the year. Two were transferred to the Nova Scotia Hospital and three were discharged as improved. Of these, one was from Annapolis county, three private, and one from Yarmouth county.

Of the number of inmates remaining in the Hospital, at the end of the year, twenty-seven were from Annapolis county, four from Hants, five from Yarmouth, one from Kings, and twelve private.

The staff experienced considerable difficulty in carrying on the work of the institution during the year with the few conveniences at their disposal and the fact that we were without a cook and male attendant (practically half the staff) the greater part of the year. This, in addition to extra work in connection with the private patients, made it no easy task for those in charge.

In my report of 1910, I referred to the Recreation Hall in that it afforded me great pleasure in its completion, and also referring to the benefits which may accrue from this important addition. To this I need only add that our expectations have been more than fully realized. The religious services have been held under more favorable circumstances than heretofore. The Christmas entertainment has exceeded that of any previously undertaken, and the comforts of the patients have been materially increased in various ways.

This in itself should be sufficient to convince the most sceptical that the Hall has been a most worthy enterprise and well adapted to the purpose for which it was built. But apart from this, the Hall may be spoken of as a benefit to the county at large. It has been the means whereby a vast number of people throughout the province have been brought in contact with the County Hospital and by this means private patients have and will be admitted to the Hospital in greater numbers, and for this reason, if for no other, the county should, I believe, assume some obligation.

APPLICATIONS AND ADMISSIONS.  
A number of applications for the admission of private patients were rejected during the year, owing to the fact that the accommodation for this class of patients is very limited, and the crowded condition of our wards at the time. Of the number admitted, three were private, one from Kings, one from Annapolis county, and one from Yarmouth county.

It may be of more than passing interest to note that as each year goes by a greater number of applications are received for the admission of private patients to the Hospital and from the various counties throughout the province. This increased number of applications must indicate the growing popularity of our institutions, having gained for themselves a reputation that can only be sustained by adhering to the principle of economy and efficiency, and by giving attention to the immediate needs as they present themselves.

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#### IMPROVEMENTS AND REPAIRS

Under this heading I have little to add, outside of the completion of the Hall. Several rooms have been fitted up for private patients at the Hospital. One of the wards received a much needed coat of paint, and several other minor improvements have been made throughout the building. As usual, various, though not extensive repairs were made in the different departments. Material was purchased for the re-roofing of the County Hospital, which is so badly needed, but we were unable to procure the necessary help in putting this on, and now since the winter has set in this will have to remain over until spring. We are glad to report progress with the new barn. This is a timely advance, and the root cellar, in connection with this, will be of invaluable service, as the present buildings are not adapted for the storing of the products of the farm.

#### OCCUPATION AND RECREATION.

With the fact in view that recreation is essential as a panacea to the monotony of life, and that this is particularly so in an institution, recreation must not be considered a luxury, but of the utmost importance, and for this purpose the hall, quite recently built, is of invaluable service.

Occupation, too, has been a feature of the year. Those who have been willing and able to work have been employed on the farm. This farm, under the present management and by the assistance of those working on the same, is being brought to a state of efficiency such as would do credit to the most scientific farmer in our county. Improvements have been made from year to year and the products of the farm increased to such an extent that one might wonder how it was possible to accomplish all that has been done with so little assistance.

It may be well to remember that able bodied men are not the kind of inmates sent to County Institutions. It may be due to their inability to earn sufficient to support themselves or it may be (as in many cases) that they are so incapacitated mentally or physically as not to be able to work at all.

#### ERRONEOUS IDEA.

There seems to be an erroneous idea among a few people in the county that if it is possible for an inmate to do a fair amount of work, his condition is such as to warrant his removal from the institution. The object in view is to the effect that it would be profitable to take such a one and in return for his work give him, or her as the case may be, food and clothing, and when he becomes incapacitated, return him from

#### Delegates to N. S. F. A.

The following delegates from Annapolis Co., will attend the Farmers' Association, which meets in Yarmouth from the 23rd. to 26th. inst.:

- F. M. Chipman—Nietaux
- John Schaffer—
- Fred Schaffer—Williamston
- E. C. Schaffer—
- A. H. Bishop—
- A. J. Wilson—Clarence
- E. J. Elliott—
- E. W. Elliott—
- F. W. Bishop—Paradise
- J. C. Phinney—
- R. J. Messenger—Centrelea
- Walter Purdy—Deep Brook

whence he came.

Were the authorities to submit to this sort of thing (and I am glad they do not) it would be a backward step both to the welfare of this class of inmates referred to and to the best interests of the county at large, inasmuch as it is necessary to have this class of patients to carry on the work of the farm, etc., and which has reached such large proportions that the present number of employees would be unable to carry on this work without hired assistance. And since the inmates referred to may have a home in the institution as comfortable as that which they may have elsewhere, and that they do not less must spend their declining years or time in which they are unable to work, in the institution, it would seem but fair that during the interval in which they are able to work, the same should be devoted to this home, as it were, and not to some private individual.

I must not be understood as referring to any who may be in a position to go forward into the world and demand a fair wage or to those who may be taken to their homes, if there be one, even though their earning capacity be limited, for in either of these cases the authorities would be pleased to concur.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Papers: Monitor-Sentinel, magazines and other reading matter have been supplied by various friends through the town and county. All the above are appreciated by the inmates and for which we are deeply indebted.

The Reverends Dr. Jost, E. Underwood and the Baptist deacons conducted the religious services at the institution during the year. We are also deeply indebted to all those who in any way assisted in these religious exercises.

I must again record my sense of obligation to the proprietor or the Monitor-Sentinel, Mrs. Piper, for her kind assistance by giving free use of the columns of that paper. By this means the public have been informed of the progress made in connection with the Hall fund, and has been invaluable assistance in the solicitation for subscriptions toward this fund.

We are indebted to all those who made it possible in having the Xmas entertainment and to those who so generously responded to our appeal at this time for subscriptions toward the fund, all of which were acknowledged by the Secty.-Treas. through the Monitor-Sentinel.

I have pleasure in bearing witness to the general efficiency of those associated with me in the work of the hospital, and to the excellence of the service they have rendered. The harmony which prevailed between the employers of both institutions is also worthy of note.

Visits by gentlemen in public life, and persons interested are highly appreciated, as perfect confidence in the institutions is created and preserved by the knowledge that they are subject to competent and unprejudiced inspection at all times, not only by the authorized inspectors, but by those men more directly responsible to the public and by persons interested.

May I be permitted to extend my thanks to the Committee and to all those who are in any way connected with the institution and for the courteous and considerate manner in which you may have dealt with me personally and with the various matters pertaining to the institution.

Your obedient servant,  
A. F. HILTZ.

#### District S. S. Convention

The 12th annual meeting of Bridgetown District S. S. Association was held in the Presbyterian Church, Bridgetown on Thursday afternoon and evening, Jan. 18th. About thirty representative S. S. workers including the five resident clergymen attended the afternoon session. Delegates were present from Upper Granville and Centrelea in addition to those from the town Schools. Dr. Brown, Field Secretary, represented the Provincial Association. County President, Co. Secretary, and Co. Supt. of S. S. Education were also present. Mrs. J. W. Brown gave an instructive address on "Standard of Work for the Elementary Division." A round table discussion on work of the various departments was lively and interesting. The Dist. Secy gave a very encouraging report of the work of the past year.

\$27.00 was raised for Association work. Schools are taking up Departmental work. Over 50 additions to the churches were reported from the nine schools which have already sent in their returns.

The house was well filled in the evening. Dr. Brown gave a stirring address on "S. S. School Evangelism," urging personal work by the S. S. teachers, followed by short addresses by Dr. Jost, Rev. J. F. Duffin and others. The audience gave \$5.00 to help on the work. Henry B. Hicks, Dist. Secy, after four years of faithful service, was promoted to the office of Dist. President and has a forward movement planned for the current year.

- New roll of officers:
- H. B. Hicks—Dist. President
  - A. D. Brown—Vice
  - C. F. Armstrong—Secy. Treas.
  - Mrs. R. J. Messenger—Supt. Elementary Division
  - A. O. Price—Supt. Advanced Div.
  - Miss Nettie Hoyle—Adult Dept.
  - Mrs. J. W. Peters—Home
  - Russell Lloyd—F. B. R.
  - Miss Wilkinson—Missionary
  - Rev. J. P. Duffin—S. S. Education
  - Rev. B. J. Porter—Temperance
  - C. F. ARMSTRONG, Dist. Secy

#### Lord's Alliance Meeting

A meeting of the Bridgetown Branch of the Lord's Day Alliance was held in the Baptist Church on the evening of Jan. 17th.

The following officers were appointed for the current year:

Rev. Mr. Duffin, President, Mr. A. D. Brown, Treas. and C. Jost, Secy. It was reported that the sum of twenty dollars, (\$20.00) had been contributed during the year to the funds of the Provincial Alliance, and the work of the Dominion Alliance was cordially commended to the interest and support of all. The Executive Committee was constituted as follows, viz. The officers of the Branch, the ministers of the town and Messrs A. O. Price, J. Harry Hicks, Wm. Wilkinson, and A. Hiltz.

The Monitor was requested kindly to publish this statement.

C. JOST, Secy

#### County Hospital

##### Recreation Hall Fund

The Treasurer—Rev. E. Underwood hands us the following for publication:	
Amount previously acknowledged	\$710.29
Wm. Spurr (omitted from Christmas fund)	1.00
J. W. Peters	2.00
Lansdale Hall	1.00
Proceeds, Pic Social per Mr. Hiltz	28.50
Newcombe Marshall	5.00
Miss M. S. Harvey (U. S.)	3.00
Wm. MacNeil, Melvern Sq.	2.00
Fred E. Bath	1.00
	\$753.79

You can put your business to sleep by your sleepy indifference about advertising in a comparatively dull season.

Inasmuch as every man thinks that he can do the other fellow's work better than it is being done, what a pity that we cannot all swap jobs for a few weeks, remarks an exchange.

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

##### Town Clerk Answers Elector

TO THE EDITOR OF THE MONITOR:—  
In reply to the communication in the issue of your paper of the 2nd. instant signed by rate-payer, asking for a detailed statement of the expenditure of street account for the past year I beg to say:

This account has been kept by me separate in the town ledger and every item of receipts and expenditures have been carefully put down therein, so that any rate-payer could at any time examine the account and satisfy himself of its correctness.

I have not had time during the past few weeks to make a copy of the detailed statement, as it is somewhat lengthy for publication, and did not think it necessary to do so, as I have been busy assisting the auditors in making up their yearly statement.

The detailed statement of this account will be annexed to the auditors report when published and in the meantime if any rate-payer desires to examine the account, if they will call at my office I shall be only too pleased to show it to them.

I may say for the information of rate-payer that there is still a substantial balance to the credit of this account, together with a valuable plant, and a large quantity of stone on the ground, all of which is paid for, and I again repeat that if any rate-payer or citizen is desirous of examining this account, the town books are open for their inspection at any time during office hours.

H. MUGGERIDGE,  
Town Clerk

January 23rd, 1912.

##### Elector to The Mayor

DEAR EDITOR:—

In your issue of two weeks ago, I asked the Town Clerk, to publish an itemized account of all money expended in connection with the Street appropriation of \$4000.00, and he has chosen to keep silent rather than give the electors of this town the information asked for. "Why has he done this? Does he consider his salary too small for a task of such magnitude?" A great many of the tax-payers think the salary of the office is rather high at present, and yet it is a common report on the street that if the facket privately nominated a few electors ago should be elected, the salary is to be raised, a \$100.00 or so. Perhaps after he gets this raise in salary, he might condescend to tell us, how our money is being spent.

We are all very glad to know that our streets are receiving the attention of our Town Fathers, and possibly the work done on them may be of a permanent nature. We hope it will. But surely we were not asking too much when we asked our paid servant to give us this information. Perhaps, however we have asked the wrong man to do this and should have asked HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR, to see that this statement be given for the benefit of the electors.

It was first reported that the Crusher, was to cost about \$1000.00 completed, and we have it from a councilor, that there is now a balance of \$160.00 of the \$4000.00 on hand. We also learn by street report (as this is the only way we seem to be able to get information, the Town Clerk refusing to publish a statement of the expenditure) that there are about 300 tons of rocks purchased for the crusher, that it is impossible to use, they being too large to go in the crusher. Many dollars have already been expended in labor and in purchasing the best stone hammers, made by Austin Bros. and yet these stone refuse to submit to being ground for our streets. If this is correct there is \$100.00 wasted in this one item.

We have about 1000 feet of street done which, with what stone we have on hand has cost the Town, \$3000.00. If we should have 300 tons of stone this would represent \$150.00 and at this rate our street is costing us about \$10,000.00 per mile. "Quite an expensive whistle!"

We all want good streets, but let us

## First Skating Carnival of the Season

### Attracts Large Number of Spectators.—Many Skaters Join the Merry Throng in Fancy Dress, upon the Ice.—Medals for Mile and Half-mile Races

A very successful Carnival was held on Wednesday evening last at the rink. Although not so many were in costume as on some previous occasions, a large number of spectators were present including team loads from Annapolis, Middleton and the surrounding country, and when general skating was allowed the ice was crowded. The ice was in splendid condition and all voted a general good time.

The prizes, which were a hand-bag and fountain pen, were won by Miss Doris Neily as "Broncho Girl," and Ken Dickie as "Chinaman." After the Carnival races were held, in which Ernest Marshall won a medal to defend for the season in the one mile Champion Race. Keith Burns also won a similar medal in the half-mile race for boys under sixteen.

Following is a list of costumes:

- Miss Laura Graves—Starlight
- Miss Ruth Burns—Hockey Girl
- Miss Margaret Chute, Berwick—Red Riding Hood
- Miss Jean Marshall—Daisy
- Miss Marguerite Hicks—Twilight

- Miss Juanita Bishop—Alice in Wonderland
- Miss Emeline Dickie—Red Riding Hood
- Miss Josie Kinney—Snow Shoe Girl
- Miss Hilda Gross—Sister Clara
- Mrs. Percy Burns—Hockeyist
- Mrs. Henry Hicks, Mrs. A. J. MacLean, Mrs. F. R. Fay—Squaw Sisters
- Miss Dodo Lloyd—Hockey Girl
- Miss Louise Ruggie—Spanish Cavalier
- Miss Hortense Griffin—Pumpkin Grinner
- Miss Bessie Laird—Queen of the Witches
- Miss Doris Neily—Broncho Girl
- Mrs. Wm. Lockett—Blue Bell
- Mrs. Eva Miller, Miss Ethel Kinney—Cheyenne Twins from the Woolly West
- Will Dargie—Dinah
- H. L. Bishop—Clown
- C. Kinney—Old Dutch Cleanser
- Gerald Hoyt—Xmas Bells
- A. J. MacLean—Hobo
- G. Anderson—Chimney Sweep
- Percy Pierce—Deacon
- Ken Dickie—Chinaman

#### Coterie Club Entertained

Mrs. W. A. Whitman entertained the members of the coterie club and their friends in a delightful manner on Tuesday evening at her home on Orange Grove Avenue. The guests of honor were Mrs. Whitman's brother, Mr. Abbott, of Nova Scotia, Canada, and Miss Miller, of Iowa, who is spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. E. L. Feist. The rooms of the Whitman home were beautifully decorated with holly and smilax.

The main interest of the evening centered around the Christmas tree, for which each member had contributed gifts. Mr. Whitman enacted the role of Santa Claus most satisfactorily and distributed the presents.

Dainty refreshments in keeping with the holiday season were served by the hostess at the close of the pleasant evening.—Panama Progress.

#### FOOD IN CARDBOARD BOXES.

Never leave foodstuffs of any kind in cardboard boxes, as they will not only gather moisture but will attract insects.

## The Royal Bank of Canada

INCORPORATED 1869.

CAPITAL	\$6,200,000
RESERVE FUNDS	\$7,200,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$110,000,000

**70 BRANCHES IN THE MARITIME PROVINCES**

### SAVINGS DEPARTMENT

Deposits of \$1.00 and upwards received and interest allowed at highest current rates.

A. J. McLEAN Manager, Bridgetown  
F. G. PALFREY Manager, Lawrencetown  
E. B. McDANIEL Manager, Annapolis Royal.

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