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costs in prosecuting same suit-amounting to \$28 in all-were deferred until sign and try it. July as they were not sworn to. In reply to a question, the Secretary-Treascil was liable for these bills, but not for the cost of advertising the Inspector's warning to liquor-dealers.

Bill of D. G. Smith for reporting proceedings of Conncil, \$50, was pasted. On motion of Coun. Robinson, ordered that the Secy-Treas, memorialise the Mr. Savoy should be put out of office, legislature, asking that the road tax in Northumberland Co. be reduced from 40c to 30c per day.

Coun. Watt read list of officers for parish of Chatham, which he stated was essary to appoint a Street Commission

ored to meet Coun. Watt's views in re- whatever, for the council to appoint ference to the selection of parish officers and had, in many cases, consented there- in express terms, declared that all the to against his better judgment. He duties, powers, etc., formerly, by law, had let good officers go, but was obliged vested in both the Street Commission to stop somewhere. He had been a er and the Firewards of Chatham, were councillor for the town of Chatham six vested in the Board of Street and Fire years and led the poll every election but one. He led the poll in the last election and claimed that was evidence that thus placed under their control with or the ratepayers relied on his judgment in these matters. He slaimed to know ed. The only reason why it might be when the town had good officers, and was not, therefore, prepared to give Coun. Watt his own way altogether, just been appointed heretofore was to meet for the sake of change. He would ask the Council to sanction the appointment of Mr. Daniel Finn as collector of rates for the middle district.

Coun. Watt moved, in amendment, that Mr. Patrick Connors be collector for that district. He said he had nothing against Mr. Finn, who had been an ent and honest officer, but was now too old to perform the duties of collecfor satisfactorily. He was not particular about the Council accepting Mr. Connors, but was willing that any young man able to do the work should be chosen. The large default list of the parish, which amounted to some \$900, told its own story, and it was a fact that men's names were on it who were Commissioner. He said his objection far more able to pay their rates than he to Mr. DesBrisay was that he was an (Watt) was. The failing of Mr. Finn's employee of Mr. Snowball and, theresight obliged him to wear spectacles and he was, therefore, not as sharp as was desirable for one in his office. To show who would be more fit for the position. this, he said that one day when Mr. F. was coming along the street, a party who was supposed to consult other members of standing with him (Watt) and others the Board in reference to Street work, said to them not to let Finn see him, as he had been after him for his taxes for some days. Mr. Finn knew the man well, yet he passed along without seeing walks which were not made. He,himrecognised him and done his duty.

was prepared to say a man was incapacitated for the performance of public duties because he wore glasses. Several members of the Board wore them and such remarks were a reflection on their ability, which everyone knew was nousense. He quoted the Chatham Bailway assessment and other large items not collected to show how the large default list was made up. In the railway case he understood payment was refused absolutely. Many others were good and would be paid. Mr. Finn had, in reference so all of them, done as well as any man could do, for Miramichi. Only one mill had been ed to make changes and was urged to it running in Chatham and it might almost be said that the due bill system was in force there. The ratepayers were satisfied with Mr. Finn, who missioner. though he might be an old man, was yet as efficient as any that could be got. They were also satisfied with the officers he and ex-Coun. Smith had appointed. Though he had run his election singlehanded he had led the poll and Mr. Smith, who also ran single-handed, had only been beaten by one vote. Had they run together, as before, Coun. Watt would have had no chance whatever and would not have been here, so he had not much claim to the favor of the Council in this matter.

Coun. McNaughton suggested that Coun. Flanagan be given his choice on this vote and Coun. Watt his on the

Coup. Watt said he wanted no compromise. If the Council did not decide vote for his opponent's man.

cient officer and for the faithful service | Watt had promised and which he now he had rendered, he should not be too hastily parted with.

Coun. Watt mid there was a possibil ity of a man being kept too long in of- the amount required for this service. fice. Mr. Finn had, no doubt, laid by a good nest egg out of the income of

trict. Chatham. Conn. Watt, in amendment, moved W. J. Loggie. He said Savoy had been collector for three or four years and he had nothing to say against him, so far

the council would give that appointment to Mr. Flanagan also. Coun. Flatagan said Mr. Watt could petition in reference to his lease of the not claim that the appointments in the Public Wharf, Newcastle, asked to be lower district made by ex-Coun. Smith allowed until July Session to report. and himself were unpopular, when both Leave granted. of them in the last election had beaten Mr. Watt and his fellow candidate on by Coun. Adams and votes of thanks his ticket two to one there. The fact were tendered to the Warden, the was, Mr. Watt had advertised in his Secretary-Treasurer and Official Recard that he intended to make "radical porter, each of whom made suitable

the sake of change. Coun. Watt asked how it was that

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Coun. Flanagan got the larger vote in Black Brook? If he would now dare to Bills of J. D. B. F. Mackenzie, \$5, for resign he (Watt) would also do so and analysing a bottle of lager boer, as evi- he would guarantee such a change in nee in a Scott Act suit, also bill of that district as would leave Coun. Flanagan home. He would dare him to re-

Coun. Flanagan sail he had been elected steadily for six years and had the confidence of his parish, gained by an endeavor to do his duty. Coun Watt might find that if he (Watt) resigned he wouldn't see the Council again at all.

Coun. Ryan said that as Coun. Watt had given the Council no reason why the latter ought to be sustained. The amendment was put and los and Coun. Flanagan's nomination of Mr. Savoy sustained.

A questien as to whether it was nec complete, with exception of the names er for Chatham came up and ex-count of the collectors of rates for the middle and lower districts, on which Coun. present Street and Fire bill, was asked Flanagan and he could not agree and had decided to refer to the Council for its decision. The list was then read and said that, so far as the Act applied to the ordinary street work of Chatham there was, in his opinion, no necessity Street Commissioner, because the Act, Commissioners which the Act estab lished. They could manage the affairs without a commissioner as they pleasnecessary to appoint a Street Commissioner, and the reason why one had possible requirements of the general law, which had nothing to do with the local services in the Town of Chatham The Secy-Treasurer coincided in this view, and thought it would be well, for

> Coun. Flanagan moved that Mr. T. DesBrisay be appointed.
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> Coun. Watt said it had been under stood between Coun- Flanagan and himself that no commissioner was be appointed.

the reasons stated, to appoint a com

Coun. Flanagan said he willing to hold to that if so advised. Coun. Watt, moved in amendmen that Mr. Alex. Templeton be Street fore, not his own master. If he were his own master he did not know a man well, yet he passed along without seeing him, when a younger man would have self, had wanted a hole filled in a side-walk and even that was neglected. Coun. Flanagan asked if Coun. Watt sonic hall to which Mr. DesBrisay's attention was directed and he had ne

DesBrisay paid for them for the Street work. Coun. Flanagan said if the law did not require the appointment of a Commissioner let it be left open. The it must be remembered that times had fact was Coun. Watt was only proposbeen very hard the last year on the ing this change because he had promis-

by his friends. The amendment was put and carried, Mr. Templeton being made Street Com

Constables' bills \$5.50 each for attendance at this session were passed.

On motion of Coun. Watt the vote or dering assessment of \$I 400 on Chat ham Police district was re-considered and he moved that it be \$1,200 instead He said one policeman was enough for the town for half the year at least which would save the \$200

Coun. Flanagan said the Police fund was now in a position which required the Police committee to pledge their credit on notes in the bank to raise funds to pay bills until the assessment was collected in July. Mr. Watt and he had agreed to the assessment ordered yesterday and this movement was simply a trick of his for the purpose of promise. If the Council did not decide with him because he was right, let them wanted to reduce their taxes. As to the one policeman it was, no doubt, in-Conn. Cameron said they all knew tended to have one put off for a few and respected Mr. Finn and even if he days, when Mr. Watt would want one

sought to have carried out. Coun. Watt said he had taken Coun. Flanngan's statement in reference to but he had seen some of the people last night and also made some figures himthe office and he could, very well, af- self, which satisfied him that \$1200 would be all that was required. There The vote being taken Mr. Watt's would be say \$600 for policemen, \$520 amendment was defeated and Mr. Finn for street lamps, \$60 for rent of lockup, coal for do., etc., which \$1200 would Coun. Flanagan moved that David pay. One policeman was quite enough M. Savoy be collector for the lower dis- for a town like Chatham and he would not consent to having two-not for the

whole year, anyhow. The vote for \$1,200 was put and car The Committee on Valuators recor as he knew, but the people were dissatisfied with him and had asked him to Johnstone, Jr., R. P. Whitney and A. mended for that office Messrs. D. T.

make a change. Perhaps, however, Coun. Watt, appointed. The Committee on Mr. R. R. Call's

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