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TO THE ELECTORS

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I would kindly ask you to read over this circular.

The Town Treasury has lost about $10,000 on Local Improvement taxes during the past ten years. I can assist in collecting a large portion of the money if I am a member of Council in 1909.

Factory Exemptions.

This has been a custom contrary to law for years past to give a nominal assessment to factories to locate in Berlin, to give employment to labor.

The principle is attended with danger in continuency, the low assessment on a factory, after the term expires, and in giving a ridiculous low assessment to some wealthy manufacturers, who could well afford to pay for higher assessment after exemptions have run out, the factory should be assessed at a reasonable amount to help pay the heavy burden of taxes which must necessarily fall upon the house owners.

When we consider the fact of other property assessed at full value, and a 20 mill rate on assessment, besides the Local Improvement Tax which will be 4 mills, in all 24 mills, to say the least, it is unfair and should be adjusted to a more equitable basis in future. The taxes including local improvements, should not exceed 21 mills. There are seven factory exemptions expiring in 1909, and in future should be assessed at some reasonable amount. I will mention them, and you can draw your own conclusions why Mr. McBrine is anxious to be Mayor, to look to his own interest, and that of the Manufacturer's Association, and have assessment renewed for a longer term of years. During the former years, when I was a member of Council, we agreed to have all the exemptions expire in 1909, after which we fully intended to raise the assessment to a fair amount. If I am a member of Council in 1909, you can depend I will do my best to that end.

I am a candidate of no person, or persons, perfectly independent.

I ask your support entirely on my ability to be for your interests, if elected. I promise you to still reduce in 1909 our rate to 19 mills instead of 20 mills as in 1908 and 21 in 1907, with our $421,000 increase of assessment and collection on back Local Improvements and less General Debenture to pay in 1909, it is practical with no detriment to progress. I have been nine years in Council, chairman of all committees, fought many hard hours at Council for your benefit.

The following is a list of permanent works constructed in Berlin, including the year 1908.

Works.

Cement walks 28.84 miles.
Gravel and macadam roadways 15.37 miles.
Storm drain 5.49 miles.
Sewers, 22.41 miles.
Concrete curb and gutters 6495 lineal feet.

The above cost	$351,912.79
Debentures principal to be paid	224,050.00
Debentures paid	89,862.79

Engineering charged to Local Improvements work done in 1908:

Cement walks	$ 271.20
Roadways	1,133.18
Storm drains	111.13
Sewers	393.23
	$1,908.74

This year we engaged our engineer on salary for $1,800.00, in former years he received five per cent. on all works constructed. During the year 1908 we constructed $38,175.00 on local improvements. We charged up to local improvements five per cent, for engineering expenses which gave us $1,908.74 which paid for our engineer's salary and expenses, consequently the salary for engineer did not cost the general tax payer one cent.

King Street Pavement.

This work should be constructed on local improvements and paid for by the property owners benefitted, the same as other streets in the Corporation. The Street Railway must construct between tracks and 12 inches on either side the cost of which they can issue debentures for, the cost of all crossings to be paid out of the general fund.

Exemptions Expiring in 1909.

The following statement represents the amount exempt, number of by-law, and date of expiration respectively.

North Ward.

Alpha Chemical Co., 5600, 650, July 1, 1909.
Berlin Rubber Co., 1200, 645, Mar. 3 1909.
Bogert, C. H. & Co., 1500, 653, Apr. 22, 1909.
Walker Pivoted Bin Co., 4550, 630 634, 672, Jan. 1, 1909.
Lippert & Co., $2000 pay $25 in lieu of taxes, Oct. 6, 1909.

Centre Ward.

Berlin Furniture Co., 7000 pay $50 in lieu of taxes, Dec. 31, 1910.
Berlin Felt Boot Co., 5000 632, Oct 3, 1908.

East Ward.

Ontario Sugar Co., 99,500, 735, Jan 1, 1913.

South Ward.

Berlin Gasoline Thresher Co., 2000, pay $25 in lieu of taxes, Dec. 31, 1910.

West Ward.

McBrine, L. & Co., 8651, 651, July 1, 1909.
Preston & Berlin Street Railway, 17,600, 790, Aug. 18, 1913.

Total amount exempt $166750

Ontario Sugar Co.

Some seven years ago we gave a bonus of $25,000 to their factory on certain conditions which were to be embodied in an agreement between the Company and the Corporation of the Town of Berlin. The money was paid over,—we have not the agreement and I understand the Town never did have one. We pay every year $1,263.00 in debentures, to pay this bonus given. We only receive $600.00 for school taxes. We have yet to pay 33 years' debentures.

The neglect of duty on the part of our Mayor at that time deserves censure for not having the agreement properly executed.

I consider it should be assessed at a nominal sum sufficient to cover at least the yearly debentures we pay, especially when they have failed to comply with the conditions for which they received our money.

The clause in By-law gives Berlin corporation power to collect from Sugar Co., $2,500.00 per year if they fail to run factory for two years; in 1909 the two years time for not operating it, will be up. If elected I will see that this clause is carried out.

Police Commission.

I am the introducer of this by-law and will vote in favor of the Police Commission in preference to a Police Committee of Council to govern over our police.

I consider it to the best interest of law and order and for the public good, and free from any influences which could be brought to bear over an elective body of Police Committee.

The costs are no more under one than the other, especially from the time our Police Magistrate has been placed on salary.

If you are in favor of the Police Commission, mark your ballot against dissolution, if you are against the Commission mark your ballot for dissolution.

For or against dissolution is what the Act calls for and must be put on the ballot.

I do not attend ward meetings nor personally canvas for votes. I appeal to electors from the public platform and through the press. A public meeting will be held at the Opera House Saturday evening at 8 o'clock p.m. for discussion of municipal affairs.

I claim to be instrumental in securing our Park By-law, our addition to market from late Casper Heller, Frantage Tax By-law, the introduction of the Street Railway some years ago.

I have never had the honor of being your Mayor. I consider I am entitled to that position over any of my opponents when long service and experience are considered.

I only ask from you electors what is due me, fair treatment as I have been honest with you for nine years.

Trusting to the intelligent and honest electorate for a renewal of confidence for Mayor in 1909.

Yours respectfully,

F. G. Gardiner.

OLD AGE.

Comes to Everyone But Its Visits May Be Postponed.

Old age is not a question of years. Some men are old at forty, others are young at sixty.

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ELECTION CARDS

FOR THE MAYORALTY

To the Electors of Berlin.

Ladies and Gentlemen: — Having served you in the Municipal Council continuously for four years, I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the Mayor's chair in 1909. You have been kind enough to elect and promote me from year to year and I trust that the services I have rendered in 1908 have been such as to meet with your approval and to secure your support for the higher position.

During the four year term given me, two years of it were spent as a member of the County Council and the representatives of that body from other municipalities, twice elected me chairman of the County Property Committee.

I was secretary of the committee which negotiated the taking over of the B. & W. Street Railway in 1907, and gave the duties devolving upon me much time and thought. The result met with your hearty approval.

This year, I acted as chairman of the Fire and Light Committee, and we succeeded in financing the work for $382 less than was done in 1907, and had a surplus of $384 out of an appropriation of $1850.

I make it a rule of life to master the details of every position I take, and to be prompt and regular in attendance. During the year, I was chosen acting Mayor on several occasions and received the thanks of the Council for the manner in which I presided over its deliberations and discharged the duties. If you elect me, I will devote my whole time to the position and perform the work as it should be performed. I am not the candidate of any organization, class or party, but a candidate of the People and for the People.

Thanking you, Ladies and Gentlemen, for your hearty support in the past and respectfully soliciting a continuance of the same, I remain,

Yours for Good Municipal Government,

CHAS. C. HAHN.

Berlin, Dec. 17th.

FOR THE MAYORALTY.

TO THE ELECTORS OF BERLIN.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—Having represented you for nine years in the Town and County Councils, I would solicit a continuance of your confidence for the position of Mayor for 1909.

I have acted as Chairman of Finance and Garbage the present year, and in former years as Chairman of Fire and Light, Market and Sprinkling.

My experience enables me to perform the duties pertaining to the office of Chief Magistrate and assist the Committees and Council.

If favored with your votes, I will give you no cause to regret.

Yours respectfully,

F. G. GARDINER.

FOR THE MAYORALTY

Ladies and Gentlemen—

Having been solicited by a large number of the ratepayers to stand as a candidate for Mayor for 1909, I have decided to do so. My record in the Town Council is well known to you, as I served a number of years as Councillor and Deputy Reeve. I have always given my closest attention and best thought to the municipal duties devolving upon me when occupying a seat at the Council Board and should you again honor me with your confidence I promise to serve the town of Berlin in the capacity of Mayor without fear or favor. Upon this basis I respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Yours truly,

L. McBRINE.

FOR THE REEVESHIP

To the Electors of Berlin.

At the solicitation of many citizens I have consented to offer my services to the town for 1909, in the capacity of Reeve.

During my seven years' service as your representative on the Council, I have been on most of the committees, and six years been chairman of the Market Committee, through whose efforts the present market facilities have been afforded.

I have endeavored always to be fair to every ratepayer. If you honor me by election I shall play no favorites. The Square Deal for all, is my policy.

Wishing you the Compliments of the Season.

D. GROSS, JR.

FOR THE REEVESHIP

To the Electors of Berlin:

Ladies and gentlemen.—At the request of a large number of my friends of all classes, I have consented to be a candidace for the reeveship for another term.

I have given the town continuous service for the past eleven years, in the Town Council, Sewer Commission and County Council and have always endeavored to look after the best interests of the town.

Berlin requires experienced men in the County Council and having been a member of that body for the past two years I will be able, if elected to represent the town to better advantages than an inexperienced representative.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain,

Yours faithfully,

JOHN COCHRANE.

FOR 2nd. DEPUTY REEVE

To the Electors.

I am in the field for the position of Second Deputy Reeve, and solicit your vote and influence. My policy is to serve the best interests of the town, as my judgment directs.

J. F. McKAY.

FOR COUNCILLOR

To the Electors:

Ladies and Gentlemen.—In accepting nomination as Councillor, I beg to state I do not intend to solicit votes personally as observation has taught me that faithful service in the interests of the public does not involve a debt to the public—the latter rather being indebted to their servants whom they elect to do their business gratuitously.

I am in favor of the principle of the greatest good to the greatest number, and, if elected, will endeavor to the best of my ability to apply that principle to all business which may come up during the ensuing year in the Council.

Wishing you all a happy and prosperous New Year, I am,

Yours sincerely,

W. R. WILKINSON.

FOR COUNCIL

To the Electors.

Having been again tendered the nomination for Councillor, I beg to announce myself as a candidate for that office. I have endeavored to serve you faithfully and well in the past and possess the knowledge and experience necessary to a capable discharge of the duties of the office for which I solicit your support.

Owing to the present critical condition of the town's affairs, I would ask you to select efficient, experienced and responsible men, to conduct and govern the affairs of the town properly.

Thanking you for your past favors, and soliciting your support in the present campaign,

I remain,

JOS. WINTERHALT.

FOR COUNCIL

To the Electors.

At the solicitation of citizens I have consented to be a candidate again for Council. If you elect me I shall serve you to the best of my ability and judgment.

F. W. SHEPPARD.

Letters to The Record

MR. McBRINE'S VIEWS.

To the Electors of the Town of Berlin.

In asking you to support me for Mayor for 1909, I wish to state that I have only one motive and that is to help to conduct the affairs of the town in a straightforward and businesslike manner to the best of my ability. I wish to emphatically deny the report that is now being circulated against me to the effect that I am in favor of granting special privileges to certain parties whose exemptions are now expiring. If elected, I can assure you that I will endeavor to represent the people as a whole regardless of any party or class.

I have served you both in the Town and County Councils, and think my work in both these bodies has given general satisfaction.

Last year in Council I voted for the Police Commission, being convinced that it was in the best interest of the people, and I have no reason to change my views on that subject.

It will be impossible for me to see every elector, as the time is limited, and I trust you will accept this explanation and give my candidature your favorable consideration.

Wishing you a Happy New Year,

Yours obediently,

L. McBRINE.

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The first insurance company operating in the Fernie district to settle up its claims resulting from the recent fire, was the PACIFIC COAST FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, a concern whose head office is located in Vancouver.

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TO LET—Stable, in East Ward. Apply News Record. 12-5-tf

TO LET—House, No. 12 Hilda Place, all conveniences. Apply Wanless' Music Store. 12-31-2t

TO LET.—House 219 Frederick street opposite Five Point grocery, all conveniences, rent reasonable. Apply Mr. Dormer, 221 Frederick street 5-5-T. T. S. t.f.

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"Is that so? When are they to be married?"—Boston Transcript.

Miss Maud Erb spent New Year's Day at her home in Preston.

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