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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

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 with the salary and other fees in connection with County work.
 Coun. Sinclair withdrew his motion.
 On vote being taken Doran received 16 votes. Adam Dickison 6 and Henry Copp, 4. The other applicants none.
 On motion of Coun. D. Doyle the election was made unanimous.
 On motion of Couns. Pond and Mersereau a committee of three

were appointed to look into the matter of salary of jailer and define his duties and report back to the Council at 2 o'clock on Wednesday.
 Committee: Couns. Pond, Anderson, and L. Doyle.
 Council adjourned until 10 a. m. Wednesday.

Newcastle, Jan. 18—Council met at ten o'clock. Warden McKnight in the chair, all councillors present except Coun. Pond.
 On motion of Coun. E. J. Parker, Coun. Sutherland was excused on account of his absence yesterday afternoon.

On motion of Coun. Wilson, Coun. Pond was excused from attendance on account of illness.
 On motion of Coun. L. Doyle, Coun. Harriman was added to Parish Accounts Committee and Coun. Baldwin excused from duty.

Coun. D. Doyle gave notice of the following Resolution. "That it is the intention of the Towns of Chatham and Newcastle to move the following Resolution on Thursday, 20th instant at 4 o'clock. "That it is the intention to apply to the Provincial Legislature for increased representation at the Council Board and request their co-operation."

On motion of Coun. Anderson, Couns. Parker, Gill, and Sinclair were added to the Committee to fix the jailers salary and define his duties, and Coun. Pond excused from duty.

Coun. Watling moved that a Committee be appointed to draft a suitable memorial regarding the late Coun. Vanderbeck. Committee L. Doyle, Anderson and Parker.

Coun. Watling asked for information re Provincial Hospital Accounts. Was it right for the County to pay for the support of patients in addition to private pay for same. He knew of a case where the County had to pay and the relatives of the inmate did the same thing.

Secretary-Treas. Teed said that the Provincial Hospital rendered their accounts every three months and he had to pay it. He did not think that both should pay as the County pays sufficient to maintain the patient, which was \$2.50 per week per patient.

Clerk of the Peace Whelan said the County was only liable for pauper lunatics. A patient that was paid for by friends was not a pauper lunatic.

Coun. Mersereau spoke at some length regarding a man who had been sent from Sydney to Chatham, and had to be sent to the Hospital. The Town of Chatham had to pay his keep. The length of time necessary to qualify a man as a resident should be determined. It was the same with poor cases. Parties were coming in from Alnwick to Chatham and they had to support them.

Coun. Bransfield "Perhaps those men belong to Chatham and are only coming home."
 Coun. Anderson said he knew Alnwick better than Coun. Mersereau and he knew of no people there in want that had to go to Chatham for support. Alnwick was not a poor Parish and could look after all their residents.

Coun. Mersereau said that there was 40 families in dire want in Chatham, these did not all belong to Chatham, nor all to Alnwick either.

Coun. Bransfield said that according to the Poor Law, the people are chargeable to the Parish to which they belong. If they are given aid their own Parish is liable.

Coun. L. Doyle moved that the Secretary Treasurer be authorized to borrow from the Royal Bank of Canada a sum not to exceed \$5,000.00, under the supervision of the Finance Committee.

Secretary-Treas. Teed said that \$5,000.00 was not enough money to carry on the business of the county.

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He would like the matter referred to a Committee and let them ascertain what was necessary. He would have an account of \$10,000 to pay in a month's time. If it were necessary to borrow more than \$6,000 it would be necessary to secure legislation to do so as they were only allowed to borrow \$6,000 now.

Coun. L. Doyle said that if all the taxes were paid it would not be necessary to borrow any money. There was a default of \$20,000. The County must have a better system of collecting.

Coun. D. Doyle said that means to provide money to carry on the work must be provided until the taxes could be collected.

Coun. Bransfield said that bills would have to be paid, could not pay \$10,000 with \$8,000. Let a committee be appointed to look into the matter of raising money to pay the bills.

Coun. L. Doyle said County could only borrow \$6,000, and we should keep within the law.

Coun. Fletcher said that this was a very poor year to collect default taxes, as conditions were so bad. The Secretary could not be expected to pay \$10,000 with \$5,000. Means would have to be devised to raise the necessary money.

Coun. Bransfield said that the people would not wait for money due them. They must be paid now and the money must be raised some day.

Coun. Mersereau said that under the law the County was authorized to borrow \$6,000. Arrangements should be made with one of the banks for a line of credit in excess of this, if more was necessary. Provision should be made to pay the bills, and if necessary borrow to carry on the business of the County.

Coun. Anderson said the resolution must be passed first and arrange later to borrow more if necessary.

Coun. Parker said that if County had the \$10,000 default due from Chatham it would not be necessary to borrow.

On motion of Coun. D. Doyle, Capt Goodwin of the Salvation Army was heard.

Capt. Goodwin said something must be done in Newcastle for the relief of the poor. There were 18 families that he was supplying aid to. Since coming to Newcastle he had supplied 33 men with bed and board, 33 children were supplied with clothing. Little children when taken into stores to be supplied with clothing were found to have no underclothing and if they had any it was generally unfit for wear. \$261.00 had been raised by private subscription for this relief by him, and it had all been expended. He understood that \$900 had been assessed on Newcastle last year for relief of poor, but when people go to the source of those responsible for the distribution of this money, they were told to go to work. They could not do this as there was no work, and as a last resource had come to the Salvation Army. There were particularly needy cases in the Town which was assessed. He appealed to those in charge to see that the needy ones were helped.

Council took recess until 2 p. m. (Continued on Page 4)

TUBERCULOSIS TOOK HEAVY DEATH TOLL

Deaths in Eight Provinces in 1920 Numbered 5,228

OTTAWA, Jan. 15—Tuberculosis in its various forms was responsible for 5,228 deaths in eight provinces of Canada in 1920, according to a bulletin issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. In Ontario the number of deaths was 2,300; in Nova Scotia, 775 in Manitoba, 455; in British Columbia 146; in New Brunswick, 389; in Alberta, 381; in Saskatchewan, 357; in Prince Edward Island, 125. Quebec's statistics are not included with those of the other provinces, but it is noted that the number of deaths in that province between June 1919, and June 1920, was 3,196.

Pulmonary tuberculosis was the cause of 4,312 of the 5,228 deaths; tubercular meningitis 326; abdominal tuberculosis, 229; acute military tuberculosis, 96; tuberculosis of the spinal column, 68; tuberculosis of the joints 27; tuberculosis of other organs 132; disseminated tuberculosis 31; lupus, 2; scrofula, 5. The number of deaths from tuberculosis in the eight provinces rose from 416 in January to 547 in May, and declined steadily to 360 in December. In May, 1921, the number of deaths from tuberculosis in the eight provinces was 463, of which 215 occurred in Ontario; 67 in Nova Scotia; 39 in New Brunswick; 37 in British Columbia; 35 in Manitoba; 34 in Saskatchewan; 23 in Alberta; 13 in Prince Edward Island Statistics for subsequent months of 1921 have not yet been published.

James P. Whelan's Residence At Bathurst Gutted By Fire

Bathurst, Jan. 17—(Special)—At noon Monday fire broke out in the handsome dwelling house of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Whelan and but for the prompt action of the fire brigade in anticipating the alarm the building and its contents would undoubtedly have been gutted.

As it was the house was considerably damaged by water, as also was the furniture. The fire caught in the attic and it is believed that it owed its ignition to a spark from the chimney. All the furniture was taken out of the house and stored in the Masonic Hall along the street. The damage is covered by insurance.

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