

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

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the experience he has had hope for
better results next year.

Respectfully submitted
H. P. CARVELL,
E. W. MELVILLE,
JOHN N. PERRY.
Scott Act Com.

Jan. 20th, 1915.

Coun. Carvell moved, seconded
by Coun. Bell, that the Scott Act
Inspector's salary be the same as
last year. Carried.

Coun. Lamont reported on bills
and accounts as follows:

We the undersigned committee on
bills and accounts beg leave to re-
port. We have gone over the ac-
counts and find them correct with a
few exceptions. In the jailers bill
there is a difference which may be a
misprint, and some other bills which
should be charged to different pa-
rishes and others which may need
correction.

D. H. LAMONT,
ALEXANDER BELL,
J. E. COLWELL.

Woodstock, N. B., Jan. 20th, 1915.

The report was received.

The following bills were ordered
paid:

The Press Printing Co.	\$1.50
J. W. Woolverton (less horse hire \$4.50)	21.30
R. S. Corbett, Con. Garage, ordered not paid	10.00
John A. Lindsay Inquest	4.00
John A. Lindsay	14.00
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Chas. J. Jones	29.30
Gwen Kelly (less \$1.00 charge able to overseers of poor Wakefield)	2.00
W. Jam Armstrong	117.55
Albion R. Foster	24.50
Fred L. Thornton (ord not pd)	10.00
John McLachlan Co.	8.85
Dr. M. H. Cummins	4.80
R. H. Holyoke	7.80
Dr. W. D. Rankin (ordered paid when sworn to)	6.00
Atherton & McAfee	3.85
John R. Tompkins	80.00
J. C. Hartley	129.00
R. B. Jones Co.	8.00
A. C. Burden (laid over until Secty-Treas. can look into right to charge jail fee)	224.22
Mrs. J. Lorne & Co.	1.45
R. W. Cameron	4.90
Fred H. Stevens	1.00
Carlton Sentinel Pub. Co.	17.00
J. E. Scott (ordered paid when sworn to)	7.90
J. E. Scott (ordered paid and charged to Parish of Wood- stock)	2.00
Dr. T. W. Griffin	2.00
Press Printing Co.	1.00
The Dispatch	1.00

Coun. Gallagher (Kent) moved
that a committee of three be ap-
pointed to wait upon the Police Magis-
trate in reference to matter of M.
J. Keenan, in connection with the
Scott Act, and request that the sen-
tences be suspended.

Coun. Thompson seconded.
Coun. Stevens thought it was es-
tablishing a bad precedent. The In-
spector should not be interfered
with in the discharge of his duty.
He advised going slowly. It was
hardly up to the police magistrate
to take any action, it was the busi-
ness of the Inspector.

Coun. Carvell said this was a mat-
ter entirely in the hands of the
Scott Act Committee and Inspector.

Coun. Gallagher did not want to
take any power away from the In-
spector, but he felt that as there
was a question as to Purvian tonic
coming under the law it might be
well to act leniently.

Coun. Perry favored leaving the
matter with the Inspector. The coun-
cil had some experience of interfer-
ing in this business in the past and
he felt had made some mistakes.

Coun. Melville: "If we have made
mistakes we are quite willing to
rectify them. When we examined
the Scott Act Inspectors report it is
very true we found he had limited
expenses, but it is also true that
there were no receipts. If he has a
chance now to make a collection we
should not stop him."

Coun. Bell (Richmond) said the
Inspector had worked hard and hav-
ing a chance to collect a fine we
should not turn him down.

Inspector McLean: "I am virtually
out of it. I cannot collect this fine
—it is in the hands of the magis-
trate. I took legal steps and got a
conviction and there it ended."

Coun. Tracey was of the opinion
that the man had a fair trial, was
ably defended and should pay.

The motion was lost.

Coun. Anderson reported for the
committee on the Patriotic Fund.
The committee had a conference with
Mr. Crookshank and went fully into
the matter and had decided that the
town and county would be part of
the Canadian Patriotic Fund. That
Woodstock would be the central
point for the county with sub-com-
mittees in the different parishes.

Coun. Anderson moved that if this
council made a grant it be to one
organization—the Canadian Patriotic
Fund and that the headquarters of
the committee be at Woodstock.

Coun. A. G. Bell seconded the mo-
tion.

At the request of some of the
councillors the County secretary ex-
plained the workings of the society
as he understood it.

There is a Canadian Patriotic So-
ciety for the whole of Canada with
headquarters at Ottawa. There are
some provincial organizations but
New Brunswick is not included. The
plan is divided up with one central
clearing house. It was the wish of
the Governor that one point should
report direct to Ottawa. It was
suggested that the town organiza-
tion be a nucleus with the coun-
cillors of the several parishes to or-
ganize and come in as a part of the
whole. "I am not a member of the
town organization," said Mr. Hart-
ley, but I am informed that it is
one of the best organizations in New
Brunswick. This body of coun-
cillors will be the proper way to have
organization in each parish. The
Woodstock end is willing to do the
work without charge. With this one
central organization better results
can be achieved.

Coun. Carvell wanted to know
what would be done with the money
left at the close of the war.

The secretary replied that he was
given the impression that a pension
fund was one of the matters under
consideration.

Council adjourned till Thursday at
10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, 10 A. M.

Council called to order by the
Warden.

The appointment of officers for the
different parishes was confirmed.

Coun. Carvell moved that \$10.50 be
paid Thomas Wilkins rebate on tax-
es for 1913 and charged to Parish of
Brighton.

Coun. Melville said the council
discussed the matter of rebates and
decided not to interfere in such cases.

Secty-Treas.—The provision made
in the law is that the Assessors
give collector order that taxes can
be reduced.

Coun. Carvell—This was only a
mistake, not a malicious act and it
is only fair that the man should
get it back.

Coun. Melville—If the County
Council appoints assessors to do
this work we should not interfere
with them. The matter has been
settled once.

Coun. Carvell—This man makes
oath and assessors agree on the mat-
ter. This is purely a matter for the
parish of Wilmet.

Coun. Stevens—In the case of Coun.
Carvell everyone agrees—councillors,
assessors and ratepayers. We will
not interfere with any resolution
previously passed in dealing with
this matter. This is not a case of
arbitration.

Coun. Melville—When you pass a
bye-law you can't make exceptions.

Coun. Perry—This man has paid
his money—assessors agree that mis-
take was made and money should be
refunded.

Secty-Treas.—The bye-law was not
passed to cover an affair of this
kind. This council's resolution was
to refuse to act as a court of ap-
peal.

Coun. Brittain—This seems unjust
to deprive this man of his money.
It can be adjusted by the Parish no
doubt satisfactorily.

Coun. Carvell—I have no interest
nor has Councillor Anderson. I
simply want to do what is right.
All agree this man was over-asses-
sed. This will not interfere with the
resolution Coun. Melville refers to.

Coun. Melville—I would sooner
Coun. Carvell adjust his own parish
affairs. The motion carried.

Coun. Brittain reported for com-
mittee on Municipal Home.

We the undersigned members of the
Municipal Home Committee beg to
submit their report as follows:

From the supply of information
available, and after considerable re-
search since reporting to this coun-
cil, we are convinced that a Munici-
pal Home is a necessity for Carleton
County, and firmly believe that the
establishment of such an institution
would provide a much superior sys-
tem of supporting our poor and ma-
terially reduce the cost as well.

We have communicated with a
number of people offering farms for
sale and have examined some of the
farms offered, and this committee is
of the opinion that a suitable farm
containing one hundred acres or up-
wards, situated in close proximity
to a railway station can be procur-
ed for the sum of \$4000.00, and we
estimate that remodelling buildings
and equipment for farm, including
stock and machinery would neces-
sitate a further expenditure of from
\$4000.00 to \$6000.00, this latter ex-
penditure being governed largely by
condition of buildings on the farm
secured.

Your committee recommend that
the Secretary-Treasurer be instruct-

ed to apply for legislation authoriz-
ing the County of Carleton to estab-
lish a Municipal Home, and suggest
that debentures be issued for a sum
of \$10,000.00 in denominations of
\$500.00 each bearing interest at 5
p.c., payable semi-annually and the
said debentures extend over a period
of ten years being made payable in
sums of \$1000.00 per year until paid.

We further recommend that the
cost of supporting the inmates in
the Municipal Home, or the net pro-
fits accruing from the products of
the farm in connection therewith be
borne by, or paid to the credit of
the different parishes in proportion
to the number of inmates furnished
from each parish.

We also recommend that commis-
sion of three members of this board
be appointed to be known as the
Municipal Home and that such com-
mission be empowered to secure a
suitable Superintendent, and other-
wise superintend and direct the es-
tablishment, equipment and mainte-
nance of the Municipal Home.

W. E. FLEMING,
E. A. BRITTON,
WM. C. KEARNEY.

Coun. Britton—The establishment
of a Municipal Home will be a sav-
ing for the County after it is once
in working order. Our beautiful
buildings speak well for Carleton
County. The time has passed for
taking care of our poor as we do.
There is a more humane way. We
will pay a farm that will give im-
mediate returns. It will be a saving
in a year or two in cost of keeping
our poor. I have faith in the coun-
ty and I feel that \$10,000 will be
easily subscribed in Carleton Coun-
ty. It is a good investment at 5
p.c. Each parish will bear its
share of the indebtedness. It is a
time which will be an obstacle, but
if we put this important matter off
there will always be obstacles.

Coun. Fleming favored the pro-
ject. This seems to be a good pro-
position in any case. Farming can
be made a profitable business. When
it comes to feeding 40 or 50 of our
poor the proposition ought to ap-
peal to all thinking people. There is
a good market now for garden pro-
ducts. It is not advisable to delay,
as there will necessarily be delays
in securing the legislation and or-
dering out other details.

Coun. Kearney—it requires a very
large amount of money to take care
of our poor—it totals over \$6000
yearly. There should be some other
way to look after our poor and the
solution is a poor farm. In Ontario
they have 24 municipal farms from
40 to 100 acres and it is found very
much cheaper than the old way.
There are critical times and we must
go slow, but I think the quicker we
get to work the better.

Coun. Fleming moved, sec. by
Coun. Kearney, that report of the
committee be received and recom-
mendations of the committee be car-
ried out.

Coun. Carvell—Do you understand
that if this report is received we
are committed to a poor farm?

Coun. Carvell—I understand if we
accept this report we are in for a
poor farm. At present I am led to
believe that my parish is opposed
to the scheme. I will have to op-
pose it in justice to my constituents.

Coun. Estey—The farm is a good
thing if carried out right. My parish
thinks we have burdens enough and
I will have to oppose it.

Coun. Melville—Under present fi-
nancial conditions I thought this
matter would go over. There is no
profit in farming this year. In my
parish some are in favor and some
not. It is not a live question. I move
an amendment that this matter lay
over another year. Seconded by
Coun. Anderson.

Coun. Morgan—The life of this
council expires in January. I would
favor laying it over till June ses-
sion.

Coun. Brittain—If the councillors
would take more interest and ex-
press their opinion it would be much
more satisfactory.

Coun. Thompson—I am in favor of
a Municipal farm and see no need in
carrying the matter over.

Coun. Lamont—I am against this
scheme myself. I would like to have
the people of my parish give an op-
inion. I am in favor, however, of
laying it over till June. I will
move an amendment to the amend-
ment that this be taken up in June.

Seconded by Coun. Morgan who
complimented the committee on the
excellent work they had done. Per-
sonally I am in favor of a Munici-
pal Home, but I would like to hear
an expression from each councillor.
I am not sure this is an opportune
time.

Coun. Tracy—We will not turn the
committee down by laying this mat-
ter over. It is rather a difficult
matter to decide at this time. I am
personally rather in favor of the
scheme. I will vote in favor of
dealing with it in June.

Coun. Melville—If I find the peo-
ple of the parish of Peel are in
favor of the scheme I will vote for

it. I am not criticising the work
of the committee but they should
have got information nearer home.
I am told the poor farm in Wood-
stock is not a paying institution.

Coun. Brittain—I have just as
good information in reference to the
town of Woodstock as Coun. Melville
—I am told the poor farm in Wood-
stock is paying.

Coun. Burt—It is not buying the
farm, it is the management. The
town of Woodstock farm is a debt
on the town every year. I think
they could board their inmates
cheaper. There has never been a
surplus. You must have the right
management—if this is done it will
pay.

Coun. Hunter—Personally I am in
favor of the farm, but it would
seem to be a hard time to put the
matter through. I will vote to lay
it over for more information.

Coun. Perry—I must congratulate
the committee on the way they have
done their work. They should have
given us more detailed information.
Coun. Melville says the town farm
of Woodstock does not pay and Coun.
Brittain says it does. Better lay it
over till January.

Coun. Bell (Richmond)—The com-
mittee has done first rate—
they have spent much
time and money. The matter was
up some ten years ago and I
voted against it, but I feel different
now. I think we better let it stand
over till January. We all hope to
come back and if we don't perhaps
better men will be here.

Mr. Carvell—There are some cases
that it would hardly be possible to
look after in a home, and what
steps can be taken in such cases?

Coun. Brittain—A Municipal Home
is the place to take care of all
cases.

Coun. Gallagher (Kent)—I am in
favor of a poor farm but favor let-
ting it go over till June session.

Coun. Morgan—I think we should
concur with the request of the chair-
man and lay matter over till June.

Coun. Stevens—No harm will be
done by leaving the question over
till June.

The amendment to the amendment
to lay over till June was carried.
Adjourned till 1.30.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION
Parishes were assessed as follows
for poor purposes:

\$165. Parish Peel	1000. Woodstock
200. Wilmet	200. Brighton
200. Richmond	500. Wicklow
700. Kent	500. Wakefield
700. Aberdeen	400. Northampton

Coun. Melville moved the balance,
\$841, be paid Scott Act Inspector.
Carried.

Coun. A. G. Bell moved that col-
lectors and assessors fees be same
as last year in the several parishes.
Sec. Coun. Moxon. Carried.

Coun. Melville moved, sec. Coun.
Bell (Richmond), that \$200 be ad-
vanced Scott Act Inspector on Scott
Act account. Carried.

Moved and carried that Revisors
fees be same as last year.

Moved \$200 be assessed Parish of
Brighton for road damages. Carried.

Moved that \$25 be assessed Parish
of Kent; \$15.00 to James Elliott,
\$10 to Thomas McInley. Carried.

Moved that \$3.00 be paid Coun.
Thompson, Kent, for room rent for
revisors. Carried.

Bill of \$4.25 of Neil Gormely,
witness Scott Act case referred to
Scott Act Inspector. Inspector said
bill was not in his time. Moved that
present Inspector take matter up
with Mr. Oolpitta and if correct or-
dered paid.

Moved \$350 be assessed Upper
Woodstock for roads and sidewalks.
Carried.

Bill A. C. Burden, county jailer,
was taken up.

The Secty. said so far as he could
ascertain no provision has been
made for \$1.50 for turnkey fees.
Charges had been made before and
were always paid.

Coun. Melville—I don't ever re-
member of charge ever being made
a county for turnkey fees. I don't
think charge is right. I move bill
be paid less turnkey charges.

Seconded by Coun. Estey. Carried.
Coun. Stevens—in reference to bill
of James Wolverson which had been
reduced \$4.50—The case involved in-
curred more expense as parties ar-
rested had to be reached at once. If
this system is going to prevail it
will not be possible to get officers to
act. Constables will not act under
such conditions. In the interests of
Justice a team was hired—the case
was critical. If we want to uphold
the law in this county we must be
fair to the officials.

Coun. Melville moved, sec. Coun.
Perry, that vote of yesterday for
paying this bill be rescinded.

\$8.10 of the bill is against parish
of Brighton which Coun. Morgan
said should be presented to parish

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