

THE ACADIAN.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., JAN. 6, 1911.

Town Council.

The regular monthly meeting of the Council was held on Wednesday evening at which Mayor Harvey and Council, Messrs. Regan, Chambers, Haycock and Burgess were present.

Notification was read from C. M. Vaughn, asking relief from the Poor's department for the support of an illegitimate child, having a settlement in the town of Wolfville, and now at his house. The matter was referred to the Poor Committee.

The balance sheet of the town to Dec. 31st, 1910, was presented showing a credit balance of \$503.55. This will be found in another place in the paper.

The following accounts were read and ordered paid: J. W. Selfridge, \$5.65; Arthur Spittle, \$5.00; Rodman Pratt, \$5.00.

uncomfortably certain that in a week's time we shall find ourselves in pretty much the same moral and ethical condition as we were upon the occasion and condition we were violently resolved to shake off forever.

Mr. Roebuck, representing the Truro Foundry Co., appeared before the Council offering to supply the town with a suitable stove crusher.

A Crippen Mistake.

One of the greatest mistakes Crippen ever made in his life was in not avoiding his "key numbers."

According to Chetro, the amazing gentlemen who can see through a brick wall as far as most people, if not further, Crippen's key numbers were four and eight, so that, if he had only stuck to fives and nines he might have been a respected, honored and unharmed citizen.

Brown Tail Moth Inspection.

Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt, Dominion Entomologist, and Mr. Cummings, Secretary for Agriculture, Province of Nova Scotia, have completed arrangements for a combined campaign against the Brown Tail Moth.

It is true, that every year and every day of the year brings its definite advance. Every day in this sense is a New Year's day. Evolution is never by jerks and jolts. Progress is perpetual.

Still there is sense in the query as to whether we could not and should not upon a certain time definitely shed a considerable number of our sins and our follies. We might indeed invoke the aid of utility itself, and have a practical judgment passed upon certain customs and methods that are justified only by their age.

There are many lines of change and betterment that might be suggested, all of which appeal to the man who desires to do something to make the new year brighter than the last year has been, and to more people.

Among those who received honours at the hands of the King on New Year's Day was Hon. C. J. Townshend, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, who was knighted.

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There has been received of the mails several copies of the new and interesting magazine, "The Acadian."

The Reviewer.

THE BIRTHDAY—1911.

Some one has said that every man has two birthdays—one is his proper birthday, and the other is the birthday of the year; and while the former is not always observed, the latter is of interest too wide to be forgotten by king or cobbler.

There have been New Years epochs in the twenty centuries of Christian civilization, and in the infinitely longer period of human life—which man has been subjected. Each has come in with glowing promises of new virtues and greater goodness.

The scorn and disdain referred to have invariably been dropped not far from the gate of January 1, and the New Year has skulked back to pick up the discarded vices of the past.

Yet it must surely come to the mind of every one of us that there will some time be a new year that shall in very truth be new. Some time the wheel of our resolutions will grip the grip of real intentions, and we shall move forward to newness of life and achievement.

Certain it is that there is much in every realm of life that might with solid advantage be left behind with those last days of 1910.

Whoever is satisfied with conditions as they were, even in Canada, needs to enlarge the range of his desires. And when we consider that to no other people in any age has been given a supreme chance to carve out the ideally best that is presented to Canada on the latest years of time, we are wise indeed to ask ourselves if 1911 is to be in real sense a new year.

Behind it stretches long centuries of wrong and injustice. The pathway of the year has passed through unending scenes of poverty, pain and oppression.

On every side man has oppressed man, might masquerading as right, or quite as often working its will without disguise. Every selfishness and greed has passed through the portals of the new year.

Evolution has shown itself in the increasing delay in admitting them, but it has not thus far been strong enough to bar their entry. It is time, of course, that there are many questions whose absolute purity or injustice are perfectly apparent to all, but which we shall in all probability drag along with us for yet another year.

We shall very likely continue our worship at the altar of precedent, after paying our tribute of sentimental frankness to the new-born ideal. Ideals, like the Babe of Bethlehem, whose birth we celebrated at Christmas, are so often received with acclamation and ultimately crucified at the behest of utility.

We see the church as an educational, social and moral or religious center. And if those who consider themselves superior to all superstitions withdraw in derision, how long will it be before the church progresses to meet the average mind?

As skeptics you ought to go to religious services. Even the most orthodox sermon will brighten your thinking apparatus, if you care to set the wheels agoing, though the gist may not be ground to suit the gentleman in the pulpit.

Finally, make your position known and work in every possible way, no matter how insignificant your help may seem, for the advancement of knowledge and truth among all classes is the only way to effect an advancement in religious beliefs.

Liberal clergymen will appreciate your efforts in the spirit of Jesus, who said, "He who is not against me is for me." To measure you on this point let me quote from a letter written by a minister and a gentleman in charge of one of the largest churches in the province.

"At the earliest available opportunity I hasten to express my sincere appreciation of your letter. It has given me an altogether enjoyable sensation and an experience of a kind of criticism which I unfortunately have hitherto rather lacked."

I have been repeatedly repressed by my orthodox friends, but I have rarely met equally frank or sufficiently disinterested radicals. I, therefore, thoroughly appreciate the trouble you take to express your disappointment, and in that statement I want you to believe that I am absolutely honest."

In the discussion of an underpaid and physically starved clergy, have we not failed to remember that lack of contact with other minds means mental starvation? Let us embrace every opportunity to discover the caliber of our clergy and if we can find even a few generous ones, we are sure they will have come into our lives good and unlooked-for influences.

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JEWELER.

The Skeptic Atray.

I have no intention of criticizing hardened sinners for that would be superfluous. I would rather say a word to those living clean lives outside of those religious influences which are to-day the subject of altogether too much sneering.

To all such persons, and there are many, I wish to say, You could make no greater mistake. With the first bit of truth which weakened your faith in Christianity, you bounded off to the extreme of supposing it to be all conscious fraud, and without further and deeper study of the subject, you have continued to live a life wholly or partially estranged from the social life of the community.

My own experience is that most of the freethinkers and agnostics are just as intolerant of opposing opinions and as useless to the cause of humanity as are the great mass of Christians. Skeptics persistently refuse to set a better example to the narrow minded religiousist, though I might add that where free thought organizations exist, not only the leaders, but the rank and file, have developed an admirable amount of toleration.

Let me assure my friends that a much more thorough examination of our religious instincts and organizations than most skeptics are willing to undertake, will leave one sobered to the fact that in the whole religious history of mankind, the beliefs of each period have been measured, not by revelations, but by man's average intellectual condition. And our intellectual progress has always been, and still is, hindered by more or less powerful religious organizations which have striven by state aid to make certain beliefs permanent and run all minds in the same mold of humble subjection.

Mr. John Geldart of Moncton, who has been studying at the Newton Theological Seminary, Massachusetts has been at home for Christmas. He leaves on Wednesday, the 28th, under appointment as private secretary of Mr. Fletcher B. Brockman, the National General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of China and Korea, with whom he will travel about half the time.

Mr. Brockman is certainly one of the few really great missionary statesmen in China. The appointment is for several years. Mr. Geldart is to meet Mr. Brockman in Chicago on the 31st, and sail from San Francisco on Jan. 18, 1911.

Last Tuesday evening his classmates at the Seminary gave Mr. Geldart a supper as an expression of their good will. After the acceptance of the position the Newton (City) Y. M. C. A. held a dinner in its parlour, where Mr. Geldart is to meet Mr. Brockman in Chicago on the 31st, and sail from San Francisco on Jan. 18, 1911.

Mr. Geldart's many friends in Moncton will be glad to learn of his appointment to the position mentioned above, and their best wishes will go with him. [The above is taken from the Moncton Transcript. Mr. Geldart, who is a graduate of Acadia, visited friends in town last week, on his way to his new field of work.]

Avonport. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shaw celebrated their golden wedding at Monday night. This old couple received many congratulations from friends in all parts. A few of their family sat with them to enjoy the evening. Those who would not attend met their friends and words of love and encouragement. We wish them many happy returns.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox were visiting at Mrs. Cox's home this week, attending the golden wedding of Mrs. Cox's parents.

Many thanks are expressed to the late Secretary, Apply to R. B. Galloway, Wolfville, N. S.

The death of Mr. B. B. Dodge, M. P. A. whose serious illness was announced in last issue, took place on Friday morning. The funeral took place on Sunday and was very largely attended.

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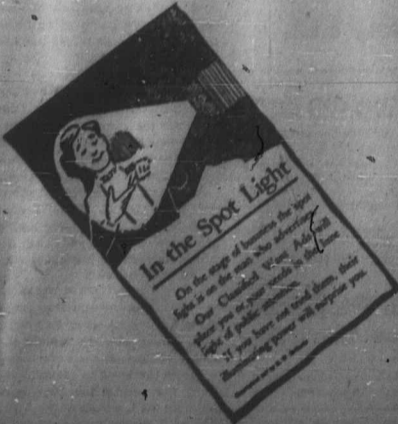
BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31ST, 1910.

Table with columns for Receipts and Expenditures. Receipts include Assessment, Poll Tax, Water, Cont Fees, Sewers, Schools, Fire, Streets, Poor, Contingents, Licenses, Dog Tax, Salaries, Police, Lighting Streets, Town Scales, N. S. Hospital, County Council, Town Seal, Bank Overdraft, Credit Bank Balance, and Outstanding Cheques. Expenditures include various municipal expenses.

H. H. ARNOLD, AUDITOR.

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