

REQUISITION.

HALIFAX, 5TH MARCH, 1887.

To ALDERMAN ALEXANDER STEPHEN,

Chairman of Board of City Works

SIR, The undersigned citizens of Halifax approving of the manner in which you have discharged the duties of alderman for five years past and especially in connection with your services in obtaining improved legislation for the city, and also the attention you have bestowed on all matters connected with the Board of City Works, and feeling it will be for the interests of the citizens that you should be in a position to carry out the various improvements now in course of progress in our city, beg to ask you to accept this requisition tendering you a nomination to the important and responsible office of Chief Magistrate of Halifax; and we hereby pledge ourselves to do all in our power to secure your election.

(The above requisition is signed by a large number of influential and representative citizens.)

GENTLEMEN, -I thank you for your expressions of approval of the course pursued by me in the Council during the time I have had the honor of holding a seat there as the representative of Ward Three. I accept this largely signed requisition, tendering me a nomination to the more important and responsible position of Chief Magistrate, fully realizing the gravity of the duties and responsibilities of the office.

I have taken an active part in promoting and aiding in every way the great improvements effected in our municipal affairs during the past five years, and if elected will aid in furthering the various improvements now in course of progress, as well as those yet to be brought forward, such as improved accommodation for our fire department, a new market house, sewerage extension in various parts of the city, the extension of Queen Street by bridge or otherwise, and the widening of Upper Water Street. It shall be my endeavor to work in unison with the Council for the welfare of our beloved city. The interests of our city demand more than ever a careful, wise and judicious policy, and extreme care is required that no scheme for improvements that has more of private than public interest to serve be engaged in, as the taxpayers have the right to insist that no money be expended that the public generally does not require. The best interests of all render it necessary that a wise, practical economy be closely observed. All the wants of the city shall receive my closest attention, not guarding the interests of any particular class or body, but keeping in view that which is the fundamental principle of good government, viz.: "the greatest good to the greatest number," and by thus acting the best interests of the city will be subserved and its material prosperity increased.

Our city at the present time is in a fair way to become a centre for manufacturing and mechanical industries, and to the end that they may be fostered, we can by judicious expenditure and keeping closely within our appropriations so reduce our taxes that other similar enterprises will be induced to locate with us, thus insuring an increased demand for labor and a consequent increase in our population.

I pledge myself, if elected, to see that all the laws governing the city and its varied interests will be faithfully carried out according to the spirit as well as the letter of the statutes. Again thanking you, gentlemen, for your handsome requisition, and assuring you that if elected all measures pertaining to the welfare of our city and its people will receive my co-operation and cheerful support.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

ALEX. STEPHEN.

REQUISITION.

H. F. WORRALL, Esq.,

Alderman for Ward Six, :

HALIFAX, N. S.

DEAR SIR, -The undersigned Citizens of the City of Halifax are desirous that you place yourself in nomination as a Candidate for the office of "Chief Magistrate" at the ensuing Civic Elections.

Your services as an Alderman of the City for the past two years, your intimate knowledge of the Civic Finances, evidenced by the efficient manner in which you discharged the onerous duties of Chairman of the Committee of Public Accounts, and more than all, your experience as a Merchant, all point to your eminent fitness to discharge the duties of Chief Magistrate of our City, and feeling that the best interests of the same would be subserved by your Election to the Mayoralty, beg to assure you of our support if you consent to become a Candidate.

The above Requisition has been signed by a large number of ratepayers.

GENTLEMEN, -I thank you for your very flattering Requisition, and accept it in the spirit in which it is offered, and assure you it shall be my endeavor to do all I can for the advancement of our good City should I be fortunate enough to be elected.

Having given a great deal of time and attention to the condition of Civic Finances, the main features of the platform on which I venture to solicit the suffrage of the Ratepayers of this City, are the following, viz: -

1st. THE EQUALIZATION OF THE SYSTEM OF TAXATION BETWEEN THE CITY AND COUNTY SO THAT THE CITY SHALL NOT BE CALLED UPON TO PAY THIRTEEN FIFTEENTHS OF THE EXPENSE OF THE COUNTY.

2nd. THE EQUALIZATION OF THE SYSTEM OF TAXATION IN THE CITY, SO THAT THE BUSINESS MEN AND PRODUCERS SHALL NOT BE CALLED UPON TO PAY MORE THAN THEIR JUST PROPORTION.

3rd. THAT ALL LEGISLATIVE ACTION IN CIVIL MATTERS SHALL EMANATE FROM THE CITY COUNCIL AS DIRECT REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RATEPAYERS.

4th. A THOROUGH SYSTEM OF RETRENCHMENT IN THE MANAGEMENT OF CIVIC FUNDS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE COUNCIL.

5th. THAT ALL MEETINGS OF ANY DEPARTMENT OF THE CIVIC SERVICE, AT WHICH THE INITIATION OF ANY SCHEME SHALL BE PROPOSED, SHALL BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

All matters proposed for the benefit and welfare of our good city shall receive my warmest support in the future, as they have in the past, consistent with the willingness of the citizens to support the same.

I am, yours respectfully,

H. F. WORRALL.



MAIL CONTRACT.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received at Ottawa until noon on FRIDAY, 15th April, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, six times per week each way, between

GLEN MARGARET AND HEAD OF ST. MARGARET'S BAY,

under a proposed contract for four years from the 1st July next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Glen Margaret and Head of St. Margaret's Bay, and at this office.

CHARLES J. MACDONALD,

Post Office Inspector's Office,
Halifax, 25th Feb., 1886.

WORKING GLASSES ATTENTION!

We are now prepared to furnish all classes with employment at home, the whole of the time, or for their spare moments. Business new, light and profitable. Persons of either sex easily earn from 50 cents to \$5.00 per evening, and a proportional sum by devoting all their time to the business. Boys and girls earn nearly as much as men. That all who see this may send their address, and test the business we make this offer. To such as are not well satisfied we will send one dollar to pay for the trouble of writing. Full particulars and outfit free. Address GEORGE STINSON & Co., Portland, Maine.

RELIGIOUS.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND.

The new church at Truro, which has been completed and occupied for 6 years, being now free from all legal encumbrance, was consecrated by the Lord Bishop of the Diocese, on Tuesday, the 16th. A large number of the clergy were present, the day was fine, and the services well attended. The Truro churchpeople are to be congratulated on the happy result of their zealous labors. The church itself is handsome, solidly built of dressed stone; and if properly taken care of, will last for centuries. May it be the forerunner of many more stone buildings, in place of the temporary and perishable structures of wood erected by pioneers in a new country.

The cathedral question is still exercising the minds of the churchmen of Halifax. A canvass of the city is in progress.

The 36th year of the Bishop's Episcopate closes to-day (Friday). His Lordship has invited those who desire to celebrate the event to meet him at the service of the Festival of the Annunciation.

Many of the clergy in England are suffering from the agricultural depression. To meet the case of these, a fund, called the "clergy distress fund," has been established, to be applicable to the clergy in all parts of the country. This will meet the wishes of those who do not desire to subscribe to the proposed church house, on the ground that a jubilee memorial should meet an acknowledged want, and be of a charitable nature.

METHODIST.

It is probable that the Rev. David Savage, of Ontario, will this year visit the Maritime Provinces, for the purpose of organizing Bands of workers in connection with the Methodist churches.

Rev. Geo. J. Bond, of the Newfoundland conference, is at present travelling in Palestine.

Last week, the Rev. S. B. Dunn delivered a very interesting lecture in this city. He occupied the pulpit of Grafton Street Church on Sunday evening.

The Boston Methodist ministers, at a meeting held lately, adopted resolutions against exclusion from Chattanooga University on account of color. The debate was continued from week to week, and was exceedingly warm.

CATHOLIC.

The Rt. Rev. Dr. McIntyre, Bishop of Charlottetown, in a recent pastoral, speaks of intemperance thus: "If we consider the evils of intemperance from a worldly point of view, we can easily see how manifold they are. Health destroyed, property lost, children beggared, wives heart-broken, jails filled, brawls multiplied. Add to these the filthy language, the horrible curses, the blood curdling blasphemies, which are hourly vomited forth from drunken mouths, and any man of right feeling will cry out that the time has come for making a vigorous and united effort to crush out this soul destroying sin."

Rev. Dr. McGlynn is out in his own defence. His voluminous letters to several Catholic journals, however, do not shake the position of his Most Reverend Superior. Viewing the matter clear of its religious and political aspect, it must be acknowledged that whatever his position on the "Land Question" might have been, it was lessened by being void of that prudence which one would expect to see in a man of the Dr.'s calibre.

BAPTIST.

The missionaries sent out to the Congo by the American Baptist Missionary Union, are meeting with much success. The great revival at Bonzi Manteko is still in progress, and the number of converts, at last accounts, was over a thousand.

The proposed basis of union between the Baptists of the Maritime Provinces and the Free Baptists of New Brunswick, which has lately been published, is the subject of much discussion among the members of those bodies. It is generally thought that the difficulties in the way are not insurmountable, and that the union will shortly become an accomplished fact.

Dr. Munhall, whose labors were so manifestly blessed lately in Dr. Talmage's church, Brooklyn, is now engaged in holding special services in the Second Baptist Church, Boston, of which the Rev. Dr. Gifford is pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. J. L. George, of Sherbrooke, having accepted a call from St. James' Church, Dartmouth, will be inducted in April.

At the last meeting of Halifax Presbytery, the resignation by the Rev. Dr. Archibald of the pastorate of Kentville Presbyterian Church, was accepted.

We are pleased to learn that the efforts of the Rev. Mr. Laing, on behalf of the proposed Ladies' College, have been crowned with success. The Duffus property has been purchased, and before many months we hope to see the school started.

St. Andrew's Church, Winnipeg, of which the Rev. C. B. Pitblado is pastor, is making rapid progress. On the first Sunday of this month seventy names were added to the roll of membership.

Rev. J. A. McKen has demitted the charge of the Presbyterian Church at Hamilton, Bermuda, to take effect on the 31st of May.

Rev. Wm. Gray, of Scotland, has accepted the call from St. Andrew's Church, St. John's, Newfoundland, and will enter upon his duties immediately.