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### TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Factories to be Supplied With Water at Same Rates in Force Last Year.—Rate of Taxation Fixed.

A meeting of the town council of the town of Bridgetown was held in the council chamber, March 7th at 7.30 p.m. with Mayor Hoyt in the chair and councillors present as follows: Tupper, Craig, Rufee, Dixon DeWitt and Burns.

The following bills were ordered paid, viz. Alden Walker, gravel, \$1.00 William Rufee \$2.31, Elias Durland \$3.56, Clarence Hayes \$0.56 and Charles Berry \$1.25 all for labor on the streets, J. H. Longmire & Sons \$1.69 and \$1.00.

On motion to pay the bill of Anderson & Rankin for teams engaged by policeman Eggeshaw it was decided not to pay the same at present.

Ordered that the third and last instalment payable to the Union Bank of Halifax under resolution of the council passed July 3rd 1906 be paid.

Ordered that the rates for water supplied to the factories be restored to the same figures as were in force at the beginning of last year and that this change of rates apply to the water supplied to the factories since last July.

The town clerk laid before the town council the assessment roll for the current year, as amended by the court of assessment appeals, and it

was resolved that the town council of the town of Bridgetown authorize the levying and collecting of a rate of one dollar and thirty cents on the hundred dollars of assessed value of the property and income assessed in the assessment roll of the town, to raise the sum required to defray the expenses of the town of Bridgetown for the current year; also a rate of sixty-five cents the hundred dollars of assessed value of the property and income assessed in the town of Bridgetown and county of Annapolis assessment rolls of the school section of the town of Bridgetown, and of all property outside the said school section, liable for taxation to defray the expenses of the public schools of the town of Bridgetown for the current year and also a rate of fifty-eight cents on the hundred dollars of assessed value of the real estate liable to be taxed for the new sewer system; and of thirty cents on the hundred dollars of assessed value of the real estate in the town of Bridgetown liable to be taxed for the old sewer system to provide interest and sinking funds upon the two loans made for sewer purposes.

Minutes read and approved and council adjourned.

### Floods Make Many Homeless

Cleveland, Ohio, March 2.—Fully 1,000 persons are homeless, other thousands living in the second floor of their homes, traffic impeded and business demoralized in many places is the situation in Ohio today as the result of recent floods.

Seattle, Wn., March 2.—Water from the melting snows in the mountains augmented by local rains, has made raging torrents of all the streams in central and western Washington, and today, the towns in the lowlands are facing serious floods. From all parts of the state reports are being received showing that the rivers are rising rapidly.

### Buried Under Masses of Debris

Wellington, Wash., March 3.—Eighty six names are now on the list of dead and missing passengers, railroad and postal employees who were carried down by the avalanche which destroyed the Great Northern train on Tuesday morning. Statements of the number of laborers fighting the snow who were sleeping on the ill-fated train, vary from twenty to thirty. An estimate of one hundred dead is conservative, it is said tonight.

MINARD'S LINIMENT RELIEVES NEURALGIA.

### New Yorkers Flock to See Live Moose at Sportsmen's Show

New York, March 3.—Occupying the entire ground floor of the east end of Madison Square Garden, besieged from three points of the compass by a surging mob, and verily reveling in an environment, distinct as it was typical, the New Brunswick moose was by such experts as Dillon Wallace of Labrador fame, and Oliver Kemp, the well-known artist, pronounced the finest exhibit at the sixteenth annual Sportsmen's Show. Two young bull moose, two bears, one musquash, four cabin heads, etc., filled the allotted space. The moose, though not nine months old, attracted great attention and the bear was coveted by all.

Above the cabin is a 6 1/2 inch moose head shot near Little Lake, Sunbury county, N. B., Oct. 19, 1904. The interior contains excellent photographs of mounted salmon, which have attracted much attention. The mounted trout opposite the moose head is fine. The caribou shot by Mr. Nobles on the Intercolonial near Fredericton is also on exhibition.

Nova Scotia, which is represented by Laurie Mitchell and Dr. Edward Breck, stands second and northern Ontario third, while Maine and the Adirondacks and the south are hopelessly distanced.

Aside from the birds, New Brunswick is the only booth having a live game exhibit. As many visitors had never seen a moose they had to ask: "What are these?"

### Millionaires Have Narrow Escape

Five boys banded themselves with a solemn oath, and last Saturday went to a point on the New York, New Haven and Hartford tracks near East Port Chester and had there opened a switch a few minutes before the arrival of a certain express train on which E. C. Converse, Wm. G. Rockefeller, E. C. Benedict, J. Kennedy Tod and other well-known New York men ride to their country homes every Saturday afternoon.

The misplaced switch was discovered by a track walker, who threw it back in place in time to avert a wreck, but the boys got away before the man could arrest any of them.

The siding to which the express train would have been deflected but for the track walker ends in a wall of natural rock twenty high.

The railroad detectives then stated that the track walker had recognized one of the boys and had informed his superintendent, who had set the detectives on their trail. They had been looking for the boys ever since and as they thought they had located them, and had come into court to ask for warrants.

Questioned by the Judge, all the boys admitted with tears that they had been in a plot to wreck the train on Saturday and that their object besides their hope of looting the bodies of those killed or injured, had been to see something exciting happen in real life. They all admitted that their band had been formed with all the formalities of penalties for "sneaking."

The boys are all the sons of Slavish parents, and some of them have very slight knowledge of English. In order to give to them a chance to reform no charge was entertained against them for their attempt at train wrecking. Matthew Gydoski, the oldest boy, was bound over for the next term of the Superior Court, Yoski was sent to the State Reform School, and the others were paroled in charge of a juvenile officer.

It came out that their capture had been practically effected by Edward Nedley, a son of the policeman who arrested them for throwing stones at trains. Young Nedley is a student in the Greenwich High School, and having been told by his father that the boys were wanted by the police, he gathered in school and then arranged with them to meet him. His father was on hand at the rendezvous.

The boys have been a menace to passengers on trains going through Greenwich for a long time. It was their custom to stand on elevated ground and hurl stones and pieces of brick into parlor car windows. Within the last month many persons have been struck by the stones and cut by flying glass.

### Captain of Schooner Found Dead in Harbor

Head Was Cut and Blood Stains Were Discovered in the Cabin.—Attorney General Order—Mortem.

Mahone Bay, March 3.—His head gashed and cut, the body of Capt. J. Wentzell, master of the schooner Goldie Belle, who had been missing for two days, was found in the dock near his schooner this morning. The nature of the injuries to his head coupled with the fact that bloodstains were discovered on the cabin floor of the schooner point strongly to foul play, and Mahone is greatly excited over the affair.

Mahone, March 4.—Did Captain Wentzell, of the schooner Goldie Belle, meet his death by foul play or by accident? is the question on which a coroner's jury has been seeking light for two days, but on which they are still far from a conclusion. It looks as though the jury's verdict would be that death came from causes unknown. An adjournment was made till Monday evening.

The custom's officers, however found something definite of another character and they acted. The Goldie Belle was seized on a charge of having smuggled liquors and cigars from St. Martin's, D.W.I., and the officers discovered cases of gin and demijohns of other liquors and boxes of cigars on which duty had not been paid and the vessel was seized. The late Captain Wentzell was a part owner and the managing owners are J. Ernst and Sons.

### Will Combine to Put Down Prices to Meet the Big Firms

The increasing competition of the catalogue and mail order houses is leading our more progressive local business houses to consider the most effective methods for retaining the trade of which they are being deprived in many cases without advantage to purchasers. The Truro Sun learns that a project is on foot whereby the Truro merchants in the dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes and furniture lines will combine to meet any and all prices quoted by the Toronto and Montreal mail order houses, with the additional advantages of being able to effect necessary exchanges without the delays and difficulties now existing.

The idea is to have the orders handled and filled by a capable person who will make selections of goods required from the stocks of those merchants who agree to meet all outside prices. The Sun commends this practical movement of our local merchants and will assist in carrying it into effect.

### Sackville Has Electric Power

The Inauguration of Day System Marks an Important Epoch in the History of Sackville.

(Sackville Tribune)

The Sackville Electric Light Company have inaugurated a system of electric power for Sackville. For some time preparations have been going on and Tuesday the current was turned on for the first time. The importance of this event to Sackville can scarcely be over-estimated. Every manufacturer face to face with the power problem. The installation of a power plant is usually a serious matter and the daily cost of maintenance a heavy tax. Electric power is certainly the best that can be obtained. It is always ready; it is practically noiseless it is clean and the cost is not excessive. The ability to secure electric power should stimulate the growth of industries, of which we want an unlimited number in Sackville. The power is now being used by A. E. Wry Limited and The Tribune Printing Co., Ltd.

The local concern is to be congratulated upon this forward step which will mean so much for Sackville.

### Sudden Death of Prominent Citizen of Digby

Digby, March 3.—John M. Viets, collector of customs, dropped dead in his private office at four o'clock this afternoon. His sudden taking away in apparent good health has caused great sorrow throughout the community. Always working zealously for the moral, social and commercial welfare of his native town, his death removes a most respected and honored citizen. He was a Freemason, Oddfellow, Forester, and for years superintendent of Holy Trinity Sunday-School, and in respect to his attendance at the several lodges and Sunday-School, it cannot be recalled that Mr. Viets ever missed one session. He was interested heart and soul in his Sunday-School work, and was a pillar in the affairs of the Church of England here. In politics he was an acknowledged conservative.

He held the office of collector of customs for about twenty-five years succeeding his late father, Botsford Viets, at the time of the latter's superannuation. Previous to this he was junior member of the law firm of Wade and Viets, the senior member being the late John C. Wade, Q.C., M.P.

Besides a widow, two daughters and five sons, an aged mother and two sisters survive. The sisters are Miss Adelaide, at home, and Mrs. Smith, of Chelsea, England, wife of the late Dr. Smith, of Digby. The widow was Miss Roberts, of Liverpool. One daughter, Kathleen, is wife of W. E. Tupper, local manager of the Union bank. The other daughter, Miss Caroline, is at present in Boston. One son, Guy, is manager of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Glace Bay, and only left here yesterday for a trip to Boston. Another son, Robert, of Ottawa, is private secretary to Hon. W. S. Fielding. The other sons are Alexander, of Outlook, Sask., Harry of Brooklyn, Gerald, of Kipewa, Quebec, and the latter sons also hold prominent positions with their respective employers.

Mr. Viets was seventy-one years of age. The funeral is to be held Sunday afternoon, and will be under the direction of King Solomon lodge, A.F. & A.M. St. George lodge of Oddfellows will also take part in the obsequies.

### Avalanche Descends

Walla Walla, Was., Feb. 28.—A special from Wallace, Idaho, says:

With a furious blizzard blocking efforts of rescuers progress in recovering those buried in last night's avalanche is almost impossible. Five hundred men sent from this city had recovered only twelve bodies at 3.30 a. m. It is practically certain that more than one hundred persons have perished.

Mace is divided into nests known as Upper and Lower Mace. The catastrophe occurred in Lower Mace, where are quartered about three hundred miners employed in the Standard Mines.

Most of these men are unmarried and live in the Hotel Standard. Messengers reports by telephone to this city are to the effect that this hotel was in the path of the avalanche.

Though first reports of the disaster were that the town of Gem, Idaho, located a mile of this place, on the same side of the canon, had been overwhelmed, later news seems to indicate that this town escaped.

Mace has a population of a hundred, all miners with the exception of a few storekeepers and school teachers in the employ of the mine. Two box cars containing fifty section hands in employ of the Northern Pacific Railroad were standing on the sidetrack when the slide occurred. All of these men are supposed to have lost their lives. Fifteen houses have been swept away according to latest information. At the Mace boarding house the snow is thirty feet deep and all of the flat from the boarding house to end of the town towards Burke is buried beneath the slide.

In the Legislative Council of Nova Scotia there are three vacancies, those caused by the deaths of Hon. Robert Monk, and Hon. William Chisholm, Halifax, and Hon. Mr. Ray, Annapolis.

### ROCKEFELLER PHILANTHROPIES ORGANIZED

An Organization of the Philanthropic and Charitable Funds to Be Known as the Rockefeller Foundation

Washington, March 4.—The senate was stirred today by information that John D. Rockefeller proposes to give away a great share of his millions in educational humanitarian and philanthropic undertakings. This news came through the introduction of a bill by Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire for the incorporation of "the Rockefeller foundation."

There are already several kindred institutions in Washington and elsewhere, but the Rockefeller foundation is to be conducted on a more comprehensive scale and will develop a much broader field than has heretofore been attempted. The Smithsonian institution was founded by an Englishman more than half a century ago to encourage the diffusion of knowledge.

The Carnegie foundation, endowed with many millions some years ago for the relief of superannuated college professors and teachers, and for purposes of scientific research, was incorporated by congress and has recently moved into a splendid new building on Sixteenth street. In 1903 congress incorporated the general educational board, a national project to which Mr. Rockefeller has devoted about \$50,000,000.

It is altogether likely that congress will incorporate the Rockefeller foundation. It will have headquarters in Washington, which fact is hailed with assurance regarding the future of the national capital as a great educational center.

The incorporators named in the bill are John D. Rockefeller, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Fred T. Gates, Starr J. Murphy and Charles O. Hoyt. These incorporators are authorized to select associations, not to exceed a

total of twenty-five and it is provided that there shall not be at any time fewer than five.

It was stated by Senator Gallinger today that Mr. Rockefeller already had given away \$52,000,000 and that he was seeking a method of disposing of his fortune that would benefit mankind. The foundation is organized on lines similar to the Carnegie Foundation, for the advancement of teaching. As in the case of the latter institution, the Rockefeller Foundation will be authorized to receive and dispense gifts of money other than those obtained from the ordinary endowments, the amounts of which have not been fixed.

The scope of the foundation is very broad, although embraced in a very short section of the bill. The section reads:

"That the object of the said corporation shall be to promote the well-being and to advance the civilization of the people of the United States and its territories and possessions, and of foreign lands in the acquisition and dissemination of knowledge; in the prevention and relief of suffering and in the promotion of any and all of the elements of human progress."

Regarding the bill, Senator Gallinger said:

"I am not authorized to speak for Mr. Rockefeller. But there is no doubt that Mr. Rockefeller intends to give away his money on a scale greater than any other living man. I am not acquainted with all of the details of Mr. Rockefeller's plan, but it is expected that Washington will be made the headquarters."

### Steel Company Settles its Claim Orchard and Garden in March

Will Accept Eight Hundred Thousand And Coal Company Will Pay It at Once.

Montreal, March 4.—The entire back dividends on the preferred stock of the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, amounting to thirty-one and a half per cent., has been declared, and will be paid on the first day of April.

Then an agreement has been reached as to the claim of the Steel Company against the Coal Company for although the claim was for \$1,200,000 they have agreed to accept \$800,000 and that will also be paid at once or after some little financing has been done. The regular quarterly dividend of one per cent. on the Coal common was also declared, and will be paid next month.

As for the merger it is officially stated that the accountants will have completed their work in two weeks time, and then the directors of the two companies will get down to work. It is generally believed, however, that both the coal and steel will be taken into the merger at par, and that the new stock will be put on a four per cent. basis. Steel Common closed at seventy, and Coal Common at eighty.

"Prune fruit trees, shrubs and hardy roses. Graft fruit trees with better varieties. Prepare for sprouting. Sow seeds of tomatoes, cauliflower, etc., in the hotbed. Start flower seeds in boxes in the house. Re-pot geraniums, ferns and other plants for summer decorations." These are some of the things that gardeners and fruit growers can do this month, according to the March issue of THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST. Among the contributors in this issue are Miss Eunice Watts, Waterville, N. S.; Mr. G. N. Gordon McKeen, Milford, N. S.; Mr. J. C. Gilman, Fredericton, N. E.; and Mr. J. A. Moore, Hazelbrook, P. E. Island.

Among the many topics discussed are lime-sulphur vs. Bordeaux for spraying, low-headed peach trees, kind of apple trees to plant, raspberry culture and the growing of tomatoes, onions, potatoes and cauliflower. The leading article tells how fruit growers can make the concentrated lime-sulphur wash at home.

Amateur gardeners will find much to interest them in articles on pruning rose bushes, sowing garden seeds, hardy shrubs, peonies, annuals, tree planting, polyanthus and many others. The issue is well illustrated. Samples of THE CANADIAN HORTICULTURIST may be had on request. It is published at Peterboro, Ont.

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