

North'd County Council Meeting

The annual session of Northumberland County Council opened at three o'clock Tuesday afternoon in the Council Chamber, Warden McKnight in the chair, the following Council members present:

Alnwick—Wm. Anderson, D. V. Allain.
 Blackville—D. P. Sullivan, Benjamin Walls.
 Blissfield—Akerly Holmes, James Weaver.
 Chatham—A. S. Harriman, W. H. Baldwin.
 Chatham Town—F. M. Tweedie, Daniel Cripps.
 Derby—E. J. Parker, D. Manderville.
 Glenelg—Roger Quinn, John W. McNaughton.
 Hardwicke—Michael Bransfield, Thos. Gulliver.
 Ludlow—John Pond, Willard Wilson.
 Nelson—R. J. Gill, M. Fletcher.
 North Esk—Alfred Sinclair, S. Gordon.
 Newcastle—Warden McKnight, L. Doyle.
 Newcastle Town—D. P. Doyle.
 South Esk—John Sutherland.
 Rogersville—H. Savoy, P. Chaisson.
 On motion of Coun. Wm. Anderson R. A. N. Jarvis was appointed official reporter.

The reporter stated to Coun. Parker that the list of officers was not published last year because they were not all handed to him at the Council meeting, but later he had secured them from the Secretary and forwarded them to the local papers. Minutes of last session were read and approved.

On motion the auditor, R. Carter, was heard. Mr. Carter spoke at some length regarding the finances of the county and stated that the arrears of the past year should not be reassessed on the Parishes the following year.

Coun. Bransfield thought that they should be assessed again and if any of the default was collected it would make a surplus for the Parish. They were not sure of getting the default and it was better to be sure.

Coun. Pond said that you were assessing the same people twice. The ones who paid had to pay for those who did not.

Coun. Gill asked if it were safe to depend on the collection of the default.

Mr. Carter—"Yes, perfectly."

On motion of Coun. Anderson and Wm. Savoy, P. Chaisson, U. tendered the auditor. Mr. Anderson said that he was pleased that the Secretary-Treas. books were in such good order.

Mr. Carter in replying to the vote of thanks said that the Secretary-Treas. accounts were in very good condition and the county was to be congratulated on the services of such an admirable official who was giving excellent service.

The Secretary Treas. made a statement, regarding the financial statements that he had laid on each councillor's desk.

On motion of Coun. Parker the Warden named the following Committee to nominate standing committees—Coun. Sinclair, L. Doyle, Allain, Tweedie and Fletcher.

Coun. Pond spoke of two honored members of the board that have passed to the great beyond since the last meeting of the Council and moved

that the Warden appoint a committee to draft Resolution of Condolence re their deaths. Committee, Couns. Holmes, McNaughton, and Parker.

The committee to nominate standing committees made the following report:

County Accounts—Couns. Anderson Sullivan, Parker, Gill, Sinclair.
 Contingencies—Couns. L. Doyle, J. D. Sutherland, McNaughton and Fletcher.
 Petitions—Couns. Gill, Pond, Cripps, Walls, Gulliver.
 Quinn, Allain, Walls, Holmes, Baldwin, Manderville, Bransfield, Wilson, Gill, L. Doyle, Gordon, Sutherland.
 Visiting Almshouse—Couns. Harriman, McNaughton and Gill.
 Printing—Couns. Parker, L. Doyle, D. Doyle.
 Land—Couns. Gill, Parker, Baldwin.
 By-Laws—Coun. Pond, Fletcher, Tweedie.
 Jail and Public Wharf—Couns. L. Doyle, D. Doyle, Tweedie and Gordon.

On motion of Couns. Bransfield and Parker the Secretary was induced to invite the County members of the Legislature to meet with them on Thursday at three o'clock to discuss matters of importance to the County. Couns. Bransfield said that the Council had passed a resolution last year about roads and it had been turned down by the Government. The members got \$1,000 and did not spend two months in Frederickton. They should visit every section of the County and see what was wanted and if they did not they could come to the Council and get in touch with its members who were in touch with the county. The Government had made a law that any land taken for roads be paid for by the parish, this was not right. The papers were urging more immigration, but we need first to treat the people we have rightly first. There were no roads in parts of the County and if the local members could not do something it was up to the Council to try and do something.

On motion of Coun. Anderson the account of the auditor, R. Carter, \$150 passed.

On motion Council adjourned until two o'clock on Wednesday.

The Council met at 10 a. m. Wednesday morning, Warden McKnight in the chair. The minutes of Tuesday's session were read and adopted.

On motion of Coun. Sutherland, Coun. Johnston was excused from attendance on account of illness.

Secretary-Treas. read report of Committee appointed to revise the By-Laws which on motion was handed to the By-Law Committee.

Coun. Sutherland brought up a matter of a pauper lunatic that has been charged to South Esk parish, who was not a resident there.

After a long discussion on the matter in which Couns. Cripps, Fletcher, Baldwin, Anderson, Quinn, McNaughton, Parker, Sinclair and Sutherland, participated it was moved that the patient charged to

South Esk be charged to the County and that the Secretary-Treas. look into the husband's circumstances and ascertain if he were able to support the patient himself.

Adjourned for committee work. Council resumed at 2 p. m.

On motion of Coun. L. Doyle the Secretary was authorized to borrow \$15,000 from the Royal Bank of Canada under the supervision of the Finance Committee.

Coun. Gordon drew attention to the effect that a resolution that had been passed at the last meeting of the Council to have the roof of the Court House painted had not been done. He had urged the committee to have the matter attended to. It was not wise to let this present Court House go to decay, as the old one had been allowed to do. It was found out that the roof could be painted for \$105.

Coun. Cripps said that the Council had ordered the work done, why was it not done?

Coun. Gordon said that at a committee meeting, a man had butted in and said that it was no use to have the roof painted as it was now "russted", he had fought for it, but could not get it through the com.

Coun. L. Doyle said that the reason that it was not done was that they had been told that it would do no good at this stage and they had abstained from having the work done in the best interests of the County. If it would do any good he would not have any objections and if Council wanted the roof painted they would go ahead and have it done.

Coun. Gordon—"What expert did you get your authority from?" The roof can be made as good as new if the proper ingredients were used. He would like to know why Mr. Gould was invited into the committee as an authority.

Coun. L. Doyle said that he never invited Mr. Gould to the meeting and did not know that anyone had.

On motion of Coun. Gordon it was decided to have the roof of the Court House painted and the interior cleaned and renovated.

On motion of Coun. McNaughton the election expenses of the By-Election in Glenelg, \$16 passed.

Coun. Pond read petition asking that cattle be forbidden to run at large in Boletown School district, which on motion was referred to Committee on petitions.

Coun. Fletcher said that a license fee of \$25 for peddlers was not right. Many small storekeepers who paid taxes in the County were also peddlers. Many peddlers were a convenience, and he did not think that they should be taxed at all if residents of the County.

Sec-Treas. said Government fixed a license of at least \$10.

On motion of Coun. McNaughton Petition of Archie Cameron for sheep killed by dogs was referred to Petitions Committee.

On motion of Coun. Gulliver, Hardwicke Parish Officers passed.

On motion of Coun. Gulliver \$260 was ordered assessed on the Parish of Hardwicke for Pauper Lunatics.

On motion of Coun. Gulliver the return of Alex Jenkins and Hugh McDougall, collectors of rates, Hardwicke, passed.

On motion of Coun. Anderson the petition of George Morrison for sheep killed by dogs was referred to Petitions Committee.

On motion of Coun. Wilson, claims for sheep killed by dogs in Ludlow was referred to Committee on Petitions.

On motion of Coun. Fletcher Couns. Harriman and McNaughton were added to By-Law Committee.

On motion of Coun. Anderson the following County Accounts passed:

Arthur Doran, prisoners board \$534.50.
 Sutherland Mer. Co., repairs to wharf \$11.42.

Coun. Gordon asked if it was right for County to pay for repairs to wharf. It was mentioned in lease.

Secretary-Treas. then read the ledger.

The following accounts were passed:

Miramichi Pub. Co. \$ 4.00

FRETTING NAUGHT BUT FOLLY

But Many Sermons on the Subject Have Failed to Convince People of Its Uselessness.

In that doleful, delightful book, "The Education of Henry Adams," occurs a phrase, "the folly of fret," which is better than the usual expression, "the uselessness of worry."

Many sermons have been preached, many lectures delivered, many medical opinions pronounced, many household homilies uttered, on that theme.

The trend of applied science in our century is toward the reduction of friction and the elimination of waste. And a big part of friction and of waste is worry.

We worry about the human machine. We imagine that all sorts of dreadful things are about to happen to us. Our thoughts ought to be on our work—and they are diverted by our worries.

We worry about losing a position in business or our standing in society. There would be less excuse for anxiety if we would spend the energy consumed in trying to do our work still better, trying to serve more satisfactorily the community we live in, striving to discharge the various and delicate offices of friendship with increased tact and perception and sympathetic selflessness.

Worry is quite another matter from a proper carefulness, that weighs a proposition and looks all round its object ere acceptance.

A man who investigates before he buys, who considers alternatives and who asks questions before deciding, who makes no leap in the dark, is not open to the reproach of one whose "folly of fret" merely leads him in frantic circles, like a tethered donkey. All his fuss and clamor issue in nothing but an ecstasy of motion and emotion.

Man power is too precious to be thrown away in these gyrations that are the pantomime of futility.

Give us more of the calm, big men who plan and then proceed.

They seem to have time. They do not operate in a flutter and a fever resembling the hen yard or the stock pen. They make up their minds and preserve their equanimity. Seeing them so cool and controlled, those who do everything in a panic or a paroxysm try their best to excite them by telling them the house is burning down or the world is coming to an end.

But these quiet and capable ones are not deceived. They know that it is not for man to say when his own life or his own work shall end. In trust and peace they continue on their way—avoiding "the folly of fret" that victimizes and weakens other men.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Relics of an Extinct Race

Relics of an extinct Indian race are being uncovered on the Santa Ynez river by a road construction gang under the direction of Ranger R. Forsythe of the Santa Barbara national forest. The discovery is at a point two miles upstream from the foot of the grade of the San Marcos road on the other side of the mountain.

One such relic brought in to Forest Supervisor Thomas B. Sloan's office was a matter of much speculation. It appears to be a piece of black soapstone in the shape of a cylinder about 1 1/2 inches in diameter and four inches long, with a half-inch hole the length of it. The relic is highly polished, and when first excavated was said to be of a softness that permitted scarring its surface. Exposure to the air evidently had hardened it, however, in a few hours.

Forsythe said two other relics similar to this one have been uncovered, and one of the bones of the forearm of a man also has been found.—Santa Barbara Press.

Some Exceptions

Among the witnesses called in a trial in a southern court was an old dandy.

"Do you swear that what you fell shall be the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth?" intoned the clerk.

"Well, sah," returned the witness, shifting uneasily, "dis lawyer gemman kin make it a powerful lot easier on himself an' relieve me of a mighty big strain of he'll leave out anything about gin an' chickens. 'Cepting fo' dose, Ah guess Ah kin stick to de truth."—The American Legion Weekly.

No Joke

Ex-Chancellor Day of Syracuse university, bewailing the high price of books, clothes and what-not, said at a dinner:

"Will this thing never end? I heard a story the other day. A charitable lady on a seashore boardwalk dropped a nickel in a beggar's hat. But the beggar returned the nickel to her, saying in not unkindly tones: "Excuse me, lady; I don't want to hurt your feelin's, but I'll have to return this here nickel back to you. If we take less than a dime we lose our union card."

Mansfield Uses Phonographs

Appreciation of music is taught in the schools of Mansfield, Ohio, with the help of phonograph records. In the seven schools of the town there are 27 phonographs. The machines were paid for by the public music club, which includes 600 boys and girls. Each school has a complete library of records and the phonographs are under the supervision of an instructor of more than 45,000. A special textbook in music appreciation guides the teachers in this work, and the music supervisor of the town schools considers the teaching successful.

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