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DAYLIGHT SAVING.

The Toronto Star gives this illustration of the benefit of daylight saving:

"We have received a letter from a workingman who is employed in a factory from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., and he strongly advocates the daylight saving law. Last year he rented a lot and produced fourteen bags of potatoes, besides carrots, onions, corn, tomatoes, and other vegetables, and until now has not had to spend a penny for vegetables. Daylight saving, with its extra hour of light in the evening, would, he says, have a wonderful effect in increasing the success of the production campaign in the way of gardening. That extra hour would enable a man to do something worth while in an evening instead of getting only started by the time darkness falls. I would be able to grow twice as much as I did in 1917," he writes, and produce not only for his own family, but add to the general supply. The whole production movement in and around the city and in the factory centres of the province and throughout Canada would undoubtedly be greatly increased in scope if another hour of daylight were available in the evening for gardening purposes."

The press of the United States is urging congress to take action at once as the time for bringing a daylight-saving regulation into force is at hand. The change should be made to cover the continent to avoid any confusion arising from the difference in time.

EDITORS MAIL.

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Perguson Manor
March 11th, 1918

Editor Graphic,
Campbellton, N. B.

Dear Sir:

In your paper recently I noticed your protest against killing deer and moose illegally. And I for one think you do just right only not strong enough.

I want to give you a few facts that have come to the notice of myself and another gentleman who travels with me

in scaling and counting logs along the rivers and brooks up the I. N. R.

As soon as the last rain made a crust the deer hunters started out with dogs and sleds, the usual way to go along the brooks with the dogs, and in the winter the deer yards on the sunny side of the brooks, and when they come to a deer yard they send the dogs up and they stay on the ice.

The dogs chase the deer down and with snow as deep as it is now they are an easy prey for the hunters, but there are lots of them that the dogs tear so bad that they are no good. Last week I saw two lying on the ice that were so badly torn they were good for nothing.

I also met 7 men and two dogs and 13 dead deer at one time, and I passed an old camp in which there were three men and a dog, and four deer.

I saw in another place 7 deer heads lying on the side of the hauling road, and along the brook where ever there is a deer yard you will see where there has been some killing.

But there is one thing, I have not seen where those deer have been killed, a "game warden" although it is not over nine or ten miles from the railroad.

A. SCALER
Campbellton, N. B.
March, 14th, 1918

Editor of the Graphic,
Town.

Dear Sir:

In your last week's issue of your paper I took exception to "June" letter in a previous issue re the selection of our mayor and councillors for next year and gave an opinion that working men should be largely represented at the new board and proved that in the past the town lost forty three thousand dollars on one deal.

I notice in the columns of yesterday's Tribune that the editor of that paper devoted some space in reply to my last week's letter. In the first part of his article he condemned past town management and rather agrees with me, then brings up Dalhousie town affairs and finishes up by saying that our present board are conducting our affairs in a much more fair and business-like manner.

I would in reply to my friend and neighbor, the editor of the Tribune, say that at many times in the past some of his many contentions should have been considered and perhaps our debt would have been much "less". Perhaps over one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of this amount will no doubt make your readers and the tax payers question this large sum. It may be well to point them out in rough sum.

1. After we took over the water supply and commenced to erect a new concrete dam there was a question as to the title of the land. We could have settled with the owner for a small sum but through poor judgment and spite we got to law. The same thing took place with the said owner of the land on which we laid our 16 inch main. These two blunders and lawsuits cost us about \$15,000.

2. Then when our concrete dam was built the water over-flowed the

land in the rear. The owner called the town's attention to this fact and offered to settle for a small amount. The same poor business and spite was indulged in, another law suit and the owner rightly won out. We cut down our concrete dam two and one half feet (this was done without a vote of the council). This was a loss of about two thousand dollars.

3. Our storage of water was not sufficient for our growing town so we purchased Smith Lake, built a dam but found it did not give us water storage enough. Then we bought more land raised the dam, cleared land, cleaned out brooks, etc., etc.

Expenditures are said to have cost us about thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000). Bear in mind this was done without consulting a competent engineer or a vote of the people. Another thing, land in that section is quite level and boggy in the summer, a large portion of the water is stagnant in the spring after severe winters, ice frozen in the ground in the months of March and April finds us short of water.

4. After the fire we widened two streets and paid as high as \$1.40 per square foot for some of this leased land. This with other land we could have bought for a small sum a short time previous. On this we spent some six thousand dollars.

5. Park lot on Water Street stand is today about twelve thousand dollars.

6. Ten years we voted a gift to a wood-working company, not understanding the wish of the people our town councillors granted that firm exemption from taxes for fifteen years. Here again we met a loss of about fifteen thousand dollars in taxes.

7. We gave the Tribune a permit for water to run a small motor, then our Town Board cut off supply. Here again spite and poor judgment prevailed. The tax-payers paid to St. John lawyer and other law costs about two thousand dollars. Case is still in court.

8. Loss in the leasing present Town building maintenance of fuel, etc., upwards of five thousand dollars, a very low estimate.

9. Annual loss in Town management for the past five years at \$3000. per year. This neat little sum amounts to \$15,000.

10. About ten years ago our Council decided to put in a 16 inch main. We got as far as Duncan's Hill just beyond the I. N. R. station. There "they" connected with our 10 inch main. Land next to reservoir was bought for said pipe from two or three owners and for this we paid two cents per foot not an unreasonable price but it all goes to make up expense. These men did this without a report of an engineer or a vote of the rate-payers. This unnecessary outlay cost close to \$30,000 so one can quite understand why our bonded debt is "Half Million Dollars". There are some on the board now that voted for this and my friend says they remain because no one will offer, lack of interest, etc. I want the readers to consider if his contentions are just in this matter. I have given him credit up to now and I want to be fair, but I take a different view.

I will mention a case in which the "power behind the throne" showed itself. I have in mind the late Samuel Laughlin who was elected councillor by a close vote and his opponent at once entered a protest. He refused to hold a seat at the Board. Today we have at least three councillors not qualified and in the face of these facts my friend, says a great improvement has taken place. Such arguments are not "water tight".

Again there are few that do not know that Frank Blackhall served as Councillor, creditably and benefit to our town, always on duty, free from mean acts, honest to the core.

He was asked to offer for mayor a few years ago but at once the Group that has held control for so long started in with the usual unfair canvasses. He would not suit the temperance people, etc., it was evident this gentleman was not "desirable". The result was that our town again made a grave error and discouraged working men offering.

The result of last year's election was shown up a few days ago by "Progress" in your paper, but the "Tribune's Editor" think everything is O. K. and says it is hard to get men to offer but fails to give or state the cause.

I will make a very short reply to his comment in reference to Dalhousie. Some time ago he said through his paper that, that town was the best managed town in New Brunswick. That is quite true and if he would make inquiry re management of towns such as Bathurst, Newcastle, Chatham and Sackville and "Busy Amherst" he would discover that all of these towns are largely governed by "Working men". So all can see these towns use good judgment. The Editor finishes up and says that in the past two years the town's management is all that could be (this compliments the old councillors which in the past he condemned) a change of heart again.

Now I am leaving him and I want



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him to be fair but does he not think that our councillors should have made him be made to provide them with other quarters than in the basement of the town building, close of the lock-up which is far from being creditable is

this age. I understand we paid a St. John architect one hundred and fifty dollars to prepare a fire by-law for us, as only part of our printing is done in town. How can we expect our newspapers to use their influence in our welfare.
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