

THE ACADIAN.

WOLFVILLE, N. S., JAN. 7, 1898.

Editorial Notes.

No action has been taken yet towards the organization of a Board of Trade in town, although the project seems to share the support of all our business men.

We are glad to learn that the effort made to resuscitate the band has been successful. Nearly all the former players have agreed to again become members, and at a meeting recently held Mr. W. W. Robson was unanimously chosen leader.

We have been informed on good authority that a provision is to be made in the estimates at the approaching session of parliament for an appropriation for building a wharf and breakwater here.

We learn that Acadia Seminary is to be opened again next season for tourist travel, and that numerous improvements are to be made in the building, increasing the accommodation to one hundred and fifty guests.

We understand that a representative of the Windsor Tribune was in town one day this week soliciting subscriptions to that paper—arguing as a reason why it should thus be supported the recent fire in that town and the loss sustained by its publisher in consequence.

The Dead Year. Another leaf has been turned in the book of Time and the page which bears the number 1897 has been written full. On the whole, the year which has just taken its place in history has been a more than ordinarily eventful one.

Within the Empire '97 will ever be remembered as the year of the Diamond Jubilee. That event which for pomp and enthusiasm stands without a peer among the national festivals of the century.

The discovery of gold in the frozen Klondike in such quantities as to put Bonanza and El Dorado to the blush will render '97 memorable in Canadian annals; while the discussion on the preferential clauses of the tariff, their violation by the German and Belgian treaties declared by the law officers of the Crown, and the final denunciation of these treaties by Great Britain, makes the year of political importance to Canadians.

Death has been busy among the notables during the year. Literature has lost Prof. Diamond, Jean Tardieu, Mrs. O'Connell, and "The Duchess." From the ranks of business, Bartley Barnato, the "Diamond King," and George M. Pullman, the railway magnate, have disappeared. Journalism has lost Charles Dana; Political Economy, Henry George; and Francis Walker; and Invention, Sir Isaac Pitman. The stage misses Mrs. Drew, and the Temperance Cause mourns Neal Dow.

'97 has not witnessed the closed gates of Janus. Greece has drawn swords with Turkey and met with defeat, though Crete, whose cause she championed, has won autonomy. Cuba has passed the year in blood, and British troops have again fought and bled under India's skies and have added Dargal heights to their long list of honored fields.

The record of '97's achievement has in many ways been a bright one, but the bequest to be solved and many reforms to be achieved. The settlement of the Eastern question, the removal of national distrust, the purification of politics, the codification of Labor and Capital, the purging of society, and the abolition of the liquor traffic all lie within the sphere of '98. With matters of such mighty import as these our labors can perhaps have little perceptible effect, and yet there is very much not altogether unimportant which if not performed by us will be left undone. Let us cheerfully do the part which is ours to make the year of 1898 the dawn of a golden cycle in which "the world shall glorify in the day of the good time" come at last.

The Mayor's Address

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AT THE LAST MEETING.

GENTLEMEN,—Assuming that you would like to know the financial state of the town at the end of the year, I have prepared a short summary of the principal accounts that you may understand our position.

STREETS. In the maintenance and repairing of our streets, roads and bridges, there has been expended in all the sum of \$767.45. It is unnecessary for me to say to you that this money has been judiciously spent, and that the streets have been kept in a very good condition throughout the year—better, in fact, in my experience, than any year since I have resided in Wolfville.

PUBLIC SCHOOL. The expenditure for the year by the School Board was \$2,588.35, the receipts, \$2,813.05, and when to this last sum is added the balance of \$131.07 brought forward from 1896 it shows a balance due by the town to the Board of \$259.37. I have not yet received any report from the chairman of the School Board, but have learned outside that the teachers are doing good work, and that the average attendance has been good.

During the holidays the school building was well painted, the underpinning was also pointed and tastefully painted, the result is that the building presents a very creditable appearance. I beg to recommend to the School Board the putting up of spouts under the eaves of the roof, and leaders therefrom to convey the water from the roof to certain protected points on the ground prepared to carry it away. At present this water falling and running along the foundation wall washes away the soil and spattering it over the brick work leaves both in an unsightly condition.

WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT. The expenditure for the year in this department was \$188.92. This expenditure reduces the credit balance in this account to \$164.47.

During the past summer three eight-inch and one four-inch gate have been put in place in the pipes. This is a valuable work. Now, in case of a leak or tapping a pipe the water can be shut off that particular section where the work is being done without inconvenience to those persons residing in other sections of the town. In case of fire also the force of the water can be concentrated where required, and thus increase its usefulness. The running out of the boundary lines at the water shed lands, and marking these with stone pillars was done this year under the direction of Mr. Price, Civil Engineer. This was a very necessary piece of work. A caretaker of these lands was appointed at a moderate salary. Very unsavory reports about these lands required some action to be taken in the matter. Since the appointment was made the grounds have been well cared for and the results satisfactory.

WATER MAINTENANCE. The receipts from the water service during the year amount to \$2175.11. The expenditure, including payment of \$200 for sinking fund, amounts to \$2,207.73. To this, however, must be added overdue but unrepresented coupons \$112.60. The annual expenditure then would exceed the receipts by \$198.12. There is, however, of uncollected overdue rates \$61.58. If this had been collected \$136.54 only would be required to balance the account. With the new houses built and new services required, another year may see this service self-sustaining.

PAUPER ACCOUNTS. The papers have been maintained for the year at a cost of \$227.86. This amount will be slightly reduced by a sum which is payable by the municipality and the town of Kentville.

POLICE. The cost of the Police Department to the town for the year was \$253.80. During the year there was but one man arrested for drunkenness, and he was not during the year been a single prosecution under the Scott Act.

When the Auditors have reported I propose to prepare a statement of our doings as a Council for publication with the Auditors' report, and distribution among the citizens. I shall not, therefore, now further particularize other items of expenditure, except that of the purchase of the parcel of land from Mr. Beckwith for \$250, and the expenditure thereon of \$26.86. The purchase of this land combined with the large piece of the railway lands so generously opened up to the public by the D. A. railway company, enabled us to effect a very necessary and striking improvement in the approach to the town from the railway station.

I shall now conclude with a general summary of the accounts for the year 1897, and in order to show the necessity that existed for an unusual increased rate of taxation, contrast the financial position of the town in 1896 with its present state.

Table with columns for account type and amount. Includes items like 'Bank for over drafts', 'Borrowed from school board', 'Sundry outstanding accounts', etc.

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By taxes overdue uncollected \$222.00, water rates 61.58, due by water construction acct. 85.62, total \$369.20.

Amt. due by the town on 31st Dec., '97, after the overdue but unrepresented coupons \$466.61.

Water sinking fund 31st Dec., '97, Acadia University loan \$1029.96.

Water sinking fund 31st Dec., '97, Bank dep. receipt 233.01, total \$1262.97.

School sinking fund Dec. 31, '97, Acadia Un. loan \$746.21.

School sinking fund Dec. 31, '97, Bank dep. receipt 215.12, total \$961.33.

Together \$2824.30. To show how close our estimate was to the services calculated upon, add the over expenditure on the roads above the estimate \$167.45, and amt. paid Beckwith for the land together with the expenditure thereon, \$276.85, and we have \$444.31 against the deficiency of \$466.61.

The difference is more than made up by the unprovided outlay on the Jubilee Fountain and Dr. Bowles' flag-staff. And now, gentlemen, as this is the last regular council meeting it seems to me to write one to say something in the way of a valedictory. During the year we have held 24 meetings of council, or an average of 2 each month, besides many committee meetings. In addition to the ordinary work of councillors, we have undertaken and effected several long needed works and reforms, such as: the running out of the lines on the water shed and marking in a durable manner the metes and bounds. The substitution of a superintendent of streets by the year instead of by the hour, as formerly. This has already had a beneficial effect on the highways. The putting in of four new water gates. The improvement of Elm avenue. The revision of the scale of water tariff. This, though not quite satisfactory to me, is yet a great improvement on the old one. The complete revision of the bye-laws under the careful charge of our legal guide, the Recorder. To do all this has taken up much of your time and thought—much more so than usually falls to the lot of a Council Board. The Jubilee year has in our case made a record one in town council work, and we may justly comfort ourselves with the thought that we have done our duty as a Council.

In taking official leave of you, I do so with feelings of pleasure mingled with regret, but also with satisfaction. With pleasure, because I now divest myself of the burdens and responsibilities of office; with regret because I shall miss the enjoyment of listening to lively discussions, where occasional sparks of wit, and flashes of humor enlivened the monotony of business; with satisfaction because I am conscious of having faithfully tried to do my duty as Mayor.

In bidding you all an official farewell I particularly wish to express my appreciation of the uniform courtesy and good feeling which has characterized the discussions at the board. I include in my remarks our ever ready and reliable learned friend the Recorder, and the terms of a Spanish greeting would say: "may his shadow never be less"; and last, but not by any means least, our able, efficient, and obliging friend who so completely fills, shall I say, the office of Town Clerk. I now conclude with wishing each and all of you a happy and prosperous New Year.

Weston Notes.

Mr and Mrs E. S. Bartheaux spent Christmas with friends at Aylesford. C. F. Sanford, Esq., of St. John, made a hasty visit here and at Aylesford last week.

C. F. Sanford, Esq., is negotiating for the management of the cheese factory at Granville Ferry, for the coming season. Messrs. Lewis, Sanford & Ross have been pressing hard for shipment. Apples have nearly all been shipped. Some good lots of potatoes are still in the market.

A number of farmers are making beef for the spring market. L. O. Nelly, Esq., of the firm of Nelly & Bowley, Aylesford, leaves for London next week on a business trip, with a view to enlarging their fruit shipping business.

Lieut. Raines, of Truro, visited friends here last week. John Cox, Esq., made a holiday trip to Truro, returning on Monday last.

Mr R. E. Harris is furnishing his customers with a very pretty calendar for 1898.

THE ACADIAN has received a useful calendar from Mr A. Y. Pines, agent for the old and reliable "Atlas" Insurance Co.

Mr William Regan has a neat little calendar out this year.

PHOTOS?

YES, we are still doing business at our Wolfville Studio. We are heavy losers by the fire but still on deck. Our Mr Robson will be at Wolfville during the winter.

FOUR DAYS EACH WEEK. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. LEWIS RICE & CO.

New Grocery & Provision Store!

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Teachers' Institute. THURSDAY, A. M.

Miss Maggie Burton, of Hantsport school, gave a lesson on the "Pine Tree" to pupils from her own school. By an examination of a section of a tree and its branches she taught the class, the age of the tree, it is an outside grower (exogenous), has needle shaped leaves, is evergreen, the wood is soft, it burns easily and gives a bright light because of the resin in it, etc. The lesson illustrated how to teach the Nature Lesson of the course of study.

Miss Ina Chipman, of Berwick, followed this lesson with a paper on botany. While reading her paper Miss Chipman illustrated her points by a chart on the black-board, mounted specimens, drawings, etc. Her method of teaching botany to the various grades was thus illustrated. She emphasized the importance of having pupils watch plants in the process of germination and make drawings of them in the various stages, mounting specimens for study, and receive knowledge at first hand from the subjects themselves. She would have pupils take notes and put in the form of a composition, the new discoveries made from time to time. A long discussion followed on the importance of teaching botany in the way recommended. Professors Oakes and MacDonald, Principals Robinson and Tuttle, Dr. Margeson, Rev. D. E. Hall and Inspector Roscoe took part in it. It was the unanimous opinion that Miss Chipman made a very valuable contribution to the Institute by her paper and illustrations.

At this stage a telegram was received from Inspector Craig and Secretary Douglas conveying the greetings of the Teachers' Institute in session at Tatamagouche to the Institute at Hantsport. To this a suitable reply was telegraphed. Also a telegram was received from Prof. Haley expressing regret that he could not be present.

THURSDAY, P. M. Miss Alice Power, of Kentville, taught a lesson in English to pupils of grades IX and X. She took one of the sections from the Sixth Reader, required of these grades, and by careful and pointed questions drew from the class the meaning of the language, the figures of speech, the peculiarities of style, etc. and thus gave an example of much worth to teachers who have this work to do. The questions asked and the discussion that followed made this one of the most interesting subjects treated at any of the meetings. To conclude this exercise Miss Jamieson read the selection in a clear and impressive manner.

The thanks of the Institute were voted to the following for their help during the meetings: Prof. MacDonald, Supervisor McKay, Dr. E. M. Keintson, Rev. Wright, Fisher, Miss Bertha Hobb, Mr. Ernest Robinson and Mr. R. W. Ford. The next place of meeting is Cannock.

The president in closing wished all a restful vacation, a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. The singing of the National Anthem brought to a close one of the most successful institutes ever held in District No. 5.

WANTED.—At once, one pant and vest maker. Apply to J. A. McNeill.

Change in Business. Having purchased the Meat Business recently carried on by Mr. O. L. Eagles, the subscriber will be prepared to supply customers with the best of everything in his line. My teams will be in Wolfville Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday of each week.

T. M. DAVIDSON. Dec. 9th, 1897.

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2. Fruit Farm on Main Street. 11 acres, mostly in Orchard. New House—4 rooms and Bathroom, hot and cold water. 3. Residence and Dyke lot on Main street—House, 10 rooms and bathroom, hot and cold water. Heated by furnace. Stable and Carriage House, and small fruit. 5 acres good Dyke adjoining.

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5. House and Lot on Central Ave.—9 rooms and bathroom. Price reasonable.

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7. Land at Wolfville—35 1/2 acres Orchard. 10 acres Dyke.

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Fine Tailoring. Thanking the public for past favors, I take pleasure in announcing that I now have one of the best cutters in the Maritime Provinces, and anyone desiring high class Work and Stylish Fitting Garments will be sure to call on us.

Take a look over our splendid Stock of English Goods. These I have imported myself. They consist of SUITINGS, OUTFITTING FINE WORSTED COATINGS AND TROUSERS.

W. S. WALLACE. NOTICE. Sealed tenders will be received by the subscriber up to noon of the first day of January, A. D. 1898, for the Contract House and Jail grounds at Kentville, the buildings in parcels or in block, or for the buildings or either of them separately, and for the Exhibition grounds and building, or for the grounds in parcels or in block, or the building separately.

The committee do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender. JOHN P. LYONS, Chairman. Kentville, July 24th, 1897.

MILK. The undersigned is prepared to supply first-class milk to all who desire it at reasonable price. My teams make regular trips. Leave your order with me and it will be promptly and faithfully filled.

NATHAN E. COLDWELL, Wolfville.

CHRISTMAS BUYER! The place for you is at Mrs. W. Temple Pines.

A call will show you, among other articles, Perfumed Soap, Fancy Cakes and Sweets, Handkerchiefs and Towels, extra supply of Confectionery, all kinds of Finery and Store Utensils, etc., at bottom prices.

The Place to buy Christmas Presents. Take your hider to Tannery, Upper Wolfville, cold cash and lots of it.

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Local and Provin... The public schools resume Monday.

Rev. Dr. Trotter will preach Baptist church next Sunday morning.

The rink is being fairly well attended. Manager Heales has a mechanical piano which furnishes music.

The union meetings have well attended in Wolfville they have been of the usual interest last meeting will be held in church this evening.

A big discount on all of stock for cash only.

The Sacrament of the Lord was dispensed in St. Andrew's (Catholic) church last Sunday. There was a large number of communicants present. Six candidates received into membership.

Change of sittings of Friends between Digby and St. John effect Monday, January 30, date she will leave St. John on Monday, Tuesday and Friday leaves Digby for St. John, Thursday and Saturday.

In another column we mentioned the marriage of Mr. Barpes L. Minnie Cobb, of Great participating couple were most brilliant and popular last year's graduating class and their alliance proves that as Minerva may hold sway room where co-education is ACADIAN wishes the happy possible joy.

Hon. Mr. Fisher, Minister, and Professor Robinson Fletcher will be invited, approaching annual meeting of the Association. Prof. of Acadia, will deliver there will be original paper fruit growers, and free tickets at vital importance industry. The meetings College hall.

A Christmas tree was erected last evening last in the gifts of various kinds were those who have been There was a large number of an enjoyable time was spent in was organized a N. S. under the supervision of Mrs. Grandall. The attendance has increased first meeting to over a good work is being done.

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