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EDITORIAL NOTES.

We do not see why some one couldn't again start the mill on the wharf. It would have paid if our money grabbers had left it alone long enough. It is a splendid investment for some one with enough cash to be independent and stand on his own feet. It is all very fine to talk about American enterprise and how far the United States is ahead of us. It is no conundrum why our young men all leave as soon as they can get enough money to go with. It is too bad to have the bone and sinew of our country driven away just because a few people cannot stand a little bustle and stir here. If those nervous ones cannot stand it let them seek "some lone and pleasant dell some valley in the (far, far,) west" where free from 'hasty dirty mechanics' they can worship only their own sweet selves and feel regardless as to whether any one else subsists or not. Every one has not had the good fortune to be born with a silver spoon in their mouth. Come now Wolfville, do shake off this sleepiness and realize that this world is good for something besides to sleep in. Acadia College may be a great institution but it cannot possibly support us all nor is it capable of making or building up a town such as Wolfville could and should be.

Give your own place a chance and whenever you let any one fully persuade you that you can afford to put a certain amount into a silver mine, a cotton factory, a ship or some other equally uncertain stock in some other place then turn around and place it in some enterprise at home. Even should it fail you will be none the poorer your town will be that much better off and besides you will run a great risk of some day seeing Wolfville a prosperous and stirring town instead of a poor sleepy hamlet, which were it not for its educational institutions would be as unknown to the outside world as the most obscure wilds of Africa.

We are pleased to note that our visiting friends from outside the village

have almost stopped the nuisance of hitching their teams across the side walks. We tender them the thanks of the community.

The Hfx. Herald made a big spread in its Xmas and New Year numbers. It deserves great credit for its enterprise.

Nothing has been done yet towards clearing our side walks, consequently they are so blockaded in places as to be almost impassable, and women and children have to take to the roads and run their chances of being run over by our fast teams. We see visions of broken limbs and sick beds in the future.

We are sorry to see the marked change for the worse between the Hants Journal and the Windsor Mail. As the Mail, this paper was fast taking its place in the foremost ranks of Provincial Journalism. As the Hants Journal it has lost much ground and we regret it exceedingly.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Jan. 8th. 1884.—Warden Charles Eaton Clerk L. DeV. Chipman Treas. T. L. Dodge re-elected.

The greater part of the day was taken up in passing road returns and receiving petitions for new roads appointing the different committees and routine work.

A Protest from rate payers of Ward 9 against the action of the Assessors of the other Wards of the County and charging them with making unjust and illegal assessments, was presented which protest was signed by some of the leading men in the ward and requesting the Council to readjust the assessment roll which was laid upon the table and resolution passed that it come up for argument on the following Thursday.

Report from the Justices appointed to prepare Statute labor returns received and read, Clerk suggesting that some action be taken against delinquent Surveyors (and there appeared to be many) to the end that all persons liable to perform statute labor should be compelled to do so if able. The matter was tabled for discussion to-morrow.

Jan. 10th.—The matter of road report, came up this morning and after some discussion the reports were handed over to the Committee appointed for that purpose.

A number of reports from the Supervisor of Cornwallis received and acted upon account received from William Eaton for service in connection with preparing Statute Labor returns and reporting thereon.

Petition from rate payers of Ward 7

containing 113 signatures against cattle running at large in that Ward. Also three petitions containing 124 signatures asking for continuation of regulation permitting them to run. The three adverse petitions being challenged and names read, there appeared 79 signatures out of the 124 of persons residing outside of Section. Action was taken upon these petitions and the prayer of the former was adopted. Notice however was tabled that the matter would be reconsidered at next meeting.

Stopping a paper does not stop the paper.

Ever since papers have been published, certain individuals have attempted to squelch them by ordering their own particular copy discontinued. This has probably happened in the experience of every publisher at various times. Every editor who is manly and straightforward is apt to publish something in the course of every year which does not accord with the opinions of some of his readers, or, perhaps, a majority of them. Under our system of free thought and speech, this is expected and cheerfully tolerated by all reasonable people. But occasionally, some one considers himself personally aggrieved by something published in his paper and hastens to "stop" it, thinking he has thereby given a retaliating blow to the publisher. There he labors under a mistaken idea. If the editor is consistent and guided by principle, he will listen to the complaints of his subscriber and give him the benefit of a reply to the offensive article; and furthermore, he is pretty sure to secure the friendship of two others by his consistency while he is losing that of the offended party. At any rate, the support of any paper—from the largest city daily down to the smallest country paper—is not derived from its subscription list; a half-dozen subscribers more or less, are of little account to any publisher, as his support comes from the patronage of his advertising columns and job department. Of course, all editors desire as large a reading audience as possible, but their hearts are not broken by the loss of one or even half a dozen. Therefore if you have a grievance, go to the editor like a man and explain it to him. Ten times out of ten, you will feel better about it, and have your trouble much more satisfactorily settled than if you hasten to secure his ill-will—Woodstock Independent.

This is how an English parlor-maid corrected the pronunciation of a fellow-servant—a page—"Don't say 'ax', you vulgar boy; say 'harsk.'"

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