

Northumberland County Council Annual Meeting

(Concluded from last issue)
Coun. Watling presented a petition to forbid cattle going at large in Glenelg.
Referred to the Bylaw Committee.
Coun. Baldwin moved a Bylaw establishing a polling booth at Chatham Head. Referred to Bylaw Committee.
Coun. Anderson moved that the Belgian and Serbian grants be handed over to Coun. Doyle for distribution. Carried.
Adjourned till 10 a. m. tomorrow.

FRIDAY

Coun. Lamont, after the minutes were approved, said they had been a feeling that County bonds should be obtained at less than par for the sinking fund, and an offer of 97 had been made. This had been refused.
Coun. Burchill, Coun. Swin and Coun. Doyle, said it would be good business to buy them at par, and, on motion of Coun. Swin, it was resolved to buy them at par.
On motion of Coun. Doyle it was resolved that no July session be held and that a committee of five be appointed to pass accounts. Committee—Schofield, Gill, LeBlanc, Watling and Swin.
It was suggested that Coun. Doyle, as the mover for a committee, was required by the bylaws to be the chairman, and, after considerable discussion, Coun. Swin retired in Coun. Doyle's favor, and Coun. Doyle was appointed in his place.
Coun. Lamont presented the report of the Committee to Visit the County Home—everything in good order, well kept, inmates contented, and recommended that detailed statements be published of the produce raised on the grounds. Mr. Kirby had not been given due credit for the good work he was doing. Butter was given to the inmates once a day. Adopted.
Coun. Allain moved that \$10 be paid to the reporter for furnishing a condensed report for L'Evangeline. Carried.

Jail Report

Coun. Ryan reported from the Committee to visit the Jail. As far as cleanliness was concerned, the jail was all that could be desired. Not a cell on the ground floor had a lock on the door. One gate leading from the jail corridor had a pair of handcuffs for a lock, while the other had a small Yale lock such as several keys in the county would unlock. The ventilation is simply nil. Persons residing upstairs are breathing the foul air of all the prisoners below, to say nothing of what comes from the toilets. On the whole we consider the county jail very unsanitary, and look upon it as a joke as far as its use as a jail is concerned. There are 5 prisoners—2 soldiers, 2 from Newcastle and one from Blackville. During the year there were 60, of whom Newcastle sent 30, Blackville 3, Alnwick 2, Chatham town 18, Rogersville 2, Newcastle parish 1, making 48 from the towns, and 12 from the parishes. One prisoner desired to enlist but the committee, after investigation recommended that he be kept in jail. The committee had been informed that the Government would pay the soldiers' board if proper bills were sent in for the same. In regard to ventilation your committee would recommend that a grate be installed in the kitchen chimney above the stovepipe and that proper ventilation be provided for both rows of cells on the ground floor by pipes leading to the attic. Your committee feel that they cannot too strongly urge the necessity for a new locking system for the cells as well as new gates for the corridors, the present gates being so open that any prisoner can easily reach the lock. Walter T. Ryan (Chairman), Ronald Hurley, Wm. D. Savoy, M. O'Shaughnessy.
Coun. Swin reported from the Bylaw Committee establishing new collection and electoral districts in Rogersville as asked. Adopted.
Coun. Swin reported a bylaw prohibiting cattle from running at large in Glenelg, as asked for. Adopted.
Coun. Swin reported a bylaw to establish a lockup in Rogersville, as asked for.
Coun. Anderson asked if it would be a county or parish affair.
Sec. Treasurer—County.
Coun. Chalson strongly urged the necessity for the lockup. They might say Rogersville was getting wild but the lockup was necessary and should be established.
Coun. Anderson said if it would be a parish charge he would not object to it.
Sec. Treasurer—I think it would be a county charge.
Coun. O'Shaughnessy said it would result in a dozen lockups being established. Other parts of the county had as much right as Rogersville to a lockup.
Coun. LeBlanc said Rogersville was so situated on the highway that it needed a lockup for its protection. Adopted.
Coun. Burchill moved that the following county bills pass:
Wm. Irving, \$6.50; Stothart Mer. Co., \$46.99; J. F. Benson, \$6.80; E. P. Williston, filling school lists, \$49; D. W. Stothart, \$1.52; Union Advocate, \$12.25; T. H. Whalen, \$126.90; Dan'l. Baldwin's Scott Act Report. Passed. Inspector Baldwin's report showed

that 17 informations were laid during the year, of which five were dropped, 2 dismissed, and 10 resulted in convictions. Six fines were collected and three offenders sent to jail. The fines collected, 300. Expenses \$55.30. Deficit, \$286.99. The travelling expenses were shown in detail and sworn to as fair and reasonable. They amounted to \$200.50. The five cases were dropped because of misinformation.
Coun. Burchill moved that Mr. Baldwin be reappointed at the same salary. Carried.
Adjourned till 2 o'clock.

Afternoon

On motion of Coun. Harriman, Chatham parish officers passed. Also return of Alex. Campbell, col. rates; Thos. King, col. rates; Wm. Johnson, sup. roads; Pauper lunatic acct. J. F. Benson, \$1.50; par. sh. clerk, \$12; pauper lunatic assessment, \$12.
Coun. Harriman moved for a bylaw to prohibit cattle from running at large in the lower district of Chatham to go into effect June 15th. Referred.
Coun. Harriman read petitions from John Maloney, asking that the valuation of his mill property in Chatham Head be fixed for assessment purposes at \$4,000 for a term of twenty years. He moved a resolution granting the prayer of the petition, and it was seconded by Coun. Baldwin. Referred to the Com. on Petitions.
Coun. Schofield presented report on Almshouse Accounts, finding books well kept, and recommending the following assessments:
Chatham \$800
Newcastle 600
Nelson 200
Northesk 100
Southesk 75
Glenelg 100
Hartwick 250
Alnwick 200
Derby 100
Blackville 250
Blissfield 225
Ludlow 75
Rogersville 900
Coun. Watling asked that \$35 be taken off Glenelg's assessment. It had no paupers. The Commissioner gave aid to persons who did not deserve it—persons who never paid a cent in taxes. If the money was on hand it would be paid out to somebody. They would be safe in voting \$75.
Carried.
Coun. Ryan said there was a woman who went periodically to Chatham, got into trouble, and was sent to the Almshouse on Ludlow account. Had they no redress?
The Sec. Treasurer—it lies with your commissioner.
Coun. Ryan moved the adoption of the report of the Committee to visit the jail.
Coun. O'Shaughnessy said he had interviewed the military officers and they were ready to pay the board bill. Report adopted.
Coun. Doyle said the jail was built a few years ago at a cost of \$900, and then it was altered and improved at a large expense. Now it doesn't suit. In the first place, in regard to the locks, no information is given in regard to the manner in which they were destroyed. He didn't know that the ventilating proposals would do any good. It would be necessary to ventilate through the roof, not into the attic. He had asked the architect about it and was told that a pipe along the corridor and through the roof might do some good.
Coun. Ryan said he was informed by the jailer that the locks were broken when he took charge. If an architect was employed on the jail he must have come out of the ark.
Coun. Lamont said a plan had been got from an architect, and local plumbers had been offered the job and they said they couldn't understand the plan. The matter was put off.
Coun. Allain presented a list of parish officers for Alnwick.
Coun. Anderson said it was the first time that he and his colleague had failed to agree. The one in dispute was a collector of rates, whose job Coun. Allain wanted to give to another man. He moved that the list be adopted, with the exception of Samuel Martin as collector of rates.
Coun. Allain said he represented the French element of his parish and should have the right to appoint some of the officers. This collector had been in office long enough.
Coun. Burchill suggested that the Councillors of Alnwick settle it between themselves.
Coun. Schofield said if the man was an efficient officer he should be kept in office.
O'Shaughnessy—Toss up and see who wins.
Coun. Anderson believed that his position was in the interests of the parish. He would leave it to the Council.

Coun. Watling told now he had acted in Glenelg.
Coun. Gill moved that it be referred to a committee of three—Gill, Burchill, Chalson. Carried.
Coun. O'Shaughnessy moved the following Southesk returns: John Forsyth, Howard Murphy, Hiram Williston, filling school lists, \$49; D. W. Stothart, \$1.52; Union Advocate, \$12.25; T. H. Whalen, \$126.90; Dan'l. Baldwin's Scott Act Report. Passed. Inspector Baldwin's report showed

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Handling Red Cross Goods

How Distribution is Made Across the Water—A Much Vexed Question Settled.
A lady of Hopewell Hill recently wrote to Mrs. John A. McAvity, president of the local Red Cross Society, in relation to work being done by that body, and added: "Some of our league women are very anxious to know if there is any way we can send our socks direct to the trenches. Our boys from Hopewell Hill have never received any Canadian socks. Some think they would like to send socks to the 26th Battalion."
Mrs. McAvity, in reply, made the following interesting explanation:
My Dear M—
We are now answering many letters like yours of the 26th inst. We know there is nothing wrong about our present or past means of sending all our socks to the Red Cross Society in England, but there have been complications and misunderstanding which we hope soon are going to be better understood generally than they have yet been. Kindly explain to your members the following method we have always used to distribute our socks: We buy yarn with Red Cross funds, for which some people even pay when they take it away to knit; that makes their socks a donation and keeps up our fund. Others take our yarn to knit, and when returned their work is their donation. Of course, when we pack these socks we put the Red Cross stamp on the box which takes them to England. That is all we are expected to know or act upon according to our charter. Our bulletins tell us how arrangements are made and action is taken on the other side. The enclosed article shows how the distribution is made over there. It is unnecessary to repeat this article. Last year we had this same complaint from the smaller hospitals, many letters saying they received nothing until finally our instructions came not to designate anything over here, to leave it to them as they would distribute them more equally if things did not arrive ear marked. Then our bulletins told that the smaller hospitals were being well supplied since they had followed the instructions for "indent" (the military term for "ask for by writing") on the Canadian Red Cross Society for all they needed. Now it's the same with socks. The men in the field have expected them to be issued to them by the War Office, so it has had to come to them gradually why the Canadian War Contingent Association was created to supplement and help the distribution, as such tremendous needs as until recently they have not understood their officers must "indent" or requisition what they need. Here is a simple case of my own boy, who is staff major of the 5th Brigade in France. Just last month he wrote me a most appealing letter for 8,000 pairs of socks to be sent just as quickly as I could get them off the next day, after he had sent the letter, he found out that he had made a great mistake and had not gotten hold of the facts, for all the men, the 26th included, had just received three pairs each and had found that they could get all that they asked for. So he sat right down and wrote me another letter, saying he hoped this would catch the same steamer as the other, so I should not have to worry or try to do anything about his socks. Then for days afterwards, being anxious not to trouble me (he wrote later), he worried till he decided to write to his wife, who was in England to cable to me, which she did, saying "No socks needed." Of course I got this long before I got either letter, so he accomplished what all others do not, i.e., after finding out the facts, straightening out the trouble he might have caused at home. Now the rest of it all is that all socks that are sent to the Canadian War Contingent Association are called "field comforts," and if donated can be sent to any nationally organized society—to the Canadian War Contingent Association—through the channel of the Canadian Red Cross Society. So if we send them we do not stamp them with the Red Cross. Then another way: If the Canadian War Contingent Association need more socks than they are getting to fill their orders, they, in their turn, "indent" or requisition them from the Red Cross Society in England. So they work together, and both tell us it is best for us not to designate them here. To offset this it was long ago arranged that individual needs could be best supplied by individual effort through the mails or parcels post. This also people seem to shirk by sending them in all sorts of irregular ways. Now, Moncton Patriotic League and any other society, club or circle can collect and send all they can get free to the Canadian War Contingent Association by sending them to us, or perhaps better, to our shipping agent at the Red Cross warehouse here in St. John, which is now, this winter, the shipping port for all Canadian Red Cross Society work. I believe in some cases they do even send a designated large order to a battalion, but they prefer that that be left to them to fill orders as requisitioned.
Yours most sincerely,
MARY E. McAVITY

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Will Withhold Part of Soldiers' Pay

The following notice is contained in a recent militia order:
"It has been found necessary, in the interests of discipline and in the interest of the men themselves, to withhold a portion of the pay of troops on overseas services until their return to Canada." From Jan. 1, therefore, fifty per cent. of the pay of the rank and file will be withheld from those who have not made any assignment of pay.
"As regards those who have assigned less than fifty per cent. of their pay, the difference only between the portion assigned and fifty per cent. of their pay is to be withheld.
"The pay so withheld will be paid to men in Canada at the termination of their engagement, but in the case of men invalided home, the overseas paymaster, London, is authorized to issue it before the soldier sails, if the latter so desires."

God Reigneth

Oh, God, who reigneth, we believe,
Above the settled war clouds dark,
What is the hope for which we grope,
And grieve to leave?
What is humanity's inspiring spark?
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