

The Kentville correspondent to the Star should remember that very few people in this vicinity see the Western Chronicle and should therefore make his comments on that paper more complete so they could be better understood by the general public.

We would call attention to the letter in another column in regard to road matters at White Rock Mills. Our columns are always open to the discussion of public matters and we are pleased to see our friends taking advantage of them to state their wants. This matter should certainly be looked into at once by the authorities.

We feel real sorry for the party who proposed to run the snow plow this winter for two reasons. First, because if the people wanted to have the sidewalks cleared of snow to the extent of 25c or 50c each there has been no snow to clear; and second, because if there had been any snow to clear, he would have had to do it for nothing. We do like enterprise and to see it encouraged.

We did think of waiting until we were going to press before writing anything about the weather, but come to think of it we guess it makes very little difference. Certainly we seldom have such a greatly diversified subject to write upon. Any kind of language from that about balmy spring and spicy breezes (Allspice) to wintry blasts and cold feet would be in order this season. We go to bed with a big fire and extra blanket and we rise up and go forth to our daily labor in a linen duster. We wade to dinner through oceans of mud, and limp back to work an hour later over 6 inch hubbles. At tea time our thermometer registers 60° in the shade, and next morning 10° below zero. It reminds us painfully of some accounts on our books which continue to remain unsettled for weeks and months. Another painful feature of this state of things is its baneful effect on the "oldest inhabitants" who always will lie in a time like this. The old familiar "about 25 or 50 years ago come Sunday, we had etc., etc." are certainly ringing in our ears and we shudder at the idea of ever being an "oldest inhabitant." Perhaps the greatest sufferers are those who hold season tickets for skating rinks, and who are mourning because they are afraid they won't get their money's worth out of it. And occasionally we hear the demoniacal chuckle of the man who knew it would be so and didn't buy any. Ah yes, next to politics, and army veterans, nothing can sow discontent and less equal to the weather, and we sigh and wish it were different (we mean the weather.)

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.
JANUARY TERM 1885.

The annual meeting of the Municipal Council for King's County met in the Court House in Kentville on Tuesday last. Barclay Webster, Esq., was elected Warden; L. DeV. Chipman, Clerk, and T. L. Dodge, Treasurer; A. C. Vanbuskirk, of Aylesford, and John A. Woodworth, of Grand Pre, Auditors. D. B. Newcomb and William Eaton, Esquires, briefly addressed the Council in reference to the Provincial Exhibition to be held this autumn, and wished to know if the Council would agree to take the responsibility of making application for the same to be held at Kentville and guarantee a prize list etc. After a lengthy discussion pro et con it was, on resolution of Councillor Roscoe, resolved that the Council become the responsible body to make such application and arrangement as would be necessary to carry the same into effect, and also supplement the Provincial grant of \$4000 by a further sum of \$2000 and thereby guaranteeing a prize list of \$6000. Resolved that an executive Exhibition Committee of five be appointed, one from each Township from the Council and two from outside. The following named gentlemen were chosen to act upon such committee:—Councillor

Curry, Clark, S. L. Fitch, and Jno. Starr and J. W. Margeson.

COMMITTEES.
Committee for Jail Management &c., Councillors Bishop, Matthew Fisher, and Dr. Fitch.
On Licence.—F. G. Curry, S. L. Fitch.
On Roads and Bridges.—J. Davison, S. L. Fitch, Levi Clark, D. Cox, F. G. Curry.
On Assessment.—Stephen Taylor, J. Steele, J. Davison.
On Law Amendments.—S. L. Fitch, J. Davison, J. Northup.
On Printing.—J. Fitch, T. G. Mack, S. Taylor.
On Public Accounts and Finance.—F. G. Curry, S. L. Fitch, L. Clark.
On Public Buildings and Lands.—M. Roscoe, R. F. Reid, N. Lyons.

ASSESSORS.
Ward 1.—E. M. Beckwith, Leander Rand.
" 2.—Jno E. Ells, Jno P. Lyons.
" 3.—Rupert Ells, Robert Illsley.
" 4.—Geo. A. Burgess, Geo Illsley.
" 5.—Wm McConnell, CH Parker.
" 6.— [Coldwell]
" 7.—Wilbert Davison, Isaac N. Wickwire. [Taylor]
" 8.—Jas. T. Manning, Gideon Lewis P. Dennison, J. W. West, S. G. Baker.
" 10.—Benj. West, S. G. Baker.
" 11.—Walter Wilson.
" 12.—C A Taylor, Wallace Neily.
" 13.—Jas A Cox, Jas E Beckwith
" 14.—Chas E Eaton, Jno Meekins

REVISORS.
R. S. 1, Wards 1 & 2.—J. E. Baxter, Elijah Borden, J B Thomas.
" 2, Wards 3 & 4.—Edwin J. Burgess, W. S. Sweet, Jas. Chase.
" 3, do. 5, 14 & 12.—Chas. Illsley, Reuben A Highland J W Foster
" 4, do. 7, 8, & 9.—Jno. Redden, M J Cleveland H Chipman M D
" 5, do. 6, & 13.—F. A. Masters, Allen Bishop, Geo. D. Pineo.
" 6, do. 10 & 11.—Jno. Palmer, Gilbert Margeson, Lawrence Gaul.
A number of road petitions read and handed over to Committee on Roads and Bridges.

STATUTE LABOR RELIEF.
Freeman Griffin allowed to perform one-half of his Statute Labor on private road.
R. H. Whitney allowed to perform one-half on private road.
Committee on the Cornwallis River report that \$100 will be sufficient to meet expenses on all bridges on the Cornwallis River under the control of Council.
All interim appointments since last meeting of Council approved and confirmed.
A bill received from the Halifax Institutes for the deaf and dumb amounting to \$60 was ordered to be added to presentment.
Petition of Jno. Payzant, praying to be relieved from all taxes, read and referred to committee on assessment.
L. De V. Chipman reported that there were now in the Provincial Asylum, at Halifax, nine persons belonging to this County who would have to be removed therefrom, and recommended that some action be taken to provide for them in the county, and stated that they were now costing the County about \$135 each, and under proper management could be maintained in connection with the poor for some one half that sum.
A bill from Mr. Wheelock, amounting to \$65, (supported by affidavit) presented, claiming that Council was responsible for said amount on account of allowing a bridge to remain in an unsafe condition, whereby his horse, in crossing, stepped into a hole and broke his leg, but as it was not alleged that there was any negligence on the part of the overseer of the district, or that he knew or had reasonable cause to know of the unsafe condition of the bridge, his claim was not allowed.

Over-expenditure in Ward 14 on Roads and Bridges, amounting to \$52.50 and \$8.50, were ordered to be paid out of the road grant of that Ward in the current year appropriation.
On motion it was resolved that the Old Bridge at Port Williams be sold and delivery given on completion of the New Bridge now in course of construction.

CURED.—Mrs. Bingham writes: "I have suffered with a cough for over 12 months. Esagar's Phosphoric cured me."—Get a circular.

GENERAL NEWS.

—Four men-of-war have been ordered to China from France.
—The debt of New York state is less than four and a half millions.
—Earthquake shocks have been felt in several places in Northern Italy.
—There will be a dog and cat show at St. John, N. B., Jan'y 27th to 30th.
—Mr. Gladstone is indisposed. His physician has ordered him to take rest.
—The Princess Beatrice, after her marriage, is to continue to reside with the Queen.
—During the year seventeen hundred Mormons landed at New York from Europe.
—A thousand men have been discharged by the Pennsylvania Railway since Dec. 1st.
—Gen. Lewal proposes to dispatch 12,000 troops to Tonquin within the next two months.
—The cold weather is causing much suffering in Kansas, especially among the colored people.
—In the general hospital, Toronto, there are over one hundred cases of typhoid fever at present.
—The overtures of the duke of Marlborough to his divorced wife for remarriage have been rejected.
—It is claimed that Wilkes Booth, the assassin of President Lincoln, is alive and residing in the Southern States.
—The United States Department of Agriculture now estimates the total yield of cotton this year at 5,500,000 bales.
—Steps have been taken in New York towards erecting a \$50,000 monument to Father Matthew, of temperance fame.
—General Skobeloff has written to the Russian newspapers, denouncing England, and urging Russia to acquire India.
—Massachusetts contains, according to the last estimate of the Bureau of Education, nearly 100,000 persons who cannot write.
—It is reported that El Mahdi drowned three thousand men in the Nile while attempting to emulate the act of Moses in crossing the Red Sea.
—An officer of the Mounted Police in the Northwest, a Nova Scotian, will be married to the daughter of the celebrated Indian Chief, Setting Bull.
—Prince Albert Victor, the eldest son of the Prince of Wales, will attend President Cleveland's inauguration.
—Duncan C. Ross, the well-known athlete, has applied to be admitted as a theological student in Trinity College, Toronto.
—The English postal authorities report that nearly four million Christmas cards were sent and received through London, Liverpool and Manchester alone.
—The Irish party in parliament will content themselves this session with seeking to obtain local self-government in the shape of county boards, etc.
—It is officially stated that the orders to prepare several British war vessels for immediate service, were merely routine and not called forth by any outside complications.
—The mayor of London has refused the use of Guildhall for a meeting at which Henry George has been announced to deliver an address, on the subject of the trade depression.
—The Great Telescope at the Lick observatory will bring the moon within thirty miles, the distance being fifty miles nearer than that reached by the best telescope now in use.
—At the inaugural banquet to the new Lord Mayor of Dublin, held on Thursday evening last, the toast of the Queen was received with a storm of mingled applause and hissing. The toast of Lord-Lieutenant was omitted altogether.
—Nearly 3000 new buildings were erected in New York during 1884, which is more than the number registered in any previous year. The sum expended on them, \$41,461,000, is nearly \$3,000,000 less, however, than was laid out in the same way in 1883.
—David Salzman, a lad of thirteen years, who is an interpreter at Castle Garden, speaks English, Polish, Hungarian, Bohemian, German and Russian. He crossed the Atlantic alone two years ago, and secured his present position soon after his arrival.
—Princes Edward and George, sons of the Prince of Wales, are writing an account of their voyage around the world. The work is based upon diaries kept by the princes and will be ready for publication in April. It will be in two volumes and will be profusely illustrated.
—The widow of Capt. Webb, drowned while attempting to swim the whirlpool at Niagara Falls, was on New Years Day presented in London, with a purse containing \$675. Dispatches from New Zealand report that Captain Webb's brother-in-law, Mr. Chaddock, has been drowned.

Going West!
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Sept. 8th, 1884

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