

BOARD OF TRADE.

Annual Meeting—Officers Elected—W. M. Jarvis the New President.

Comprehensive Report of Work of Past Year—Monthly Meetings Will be Held in the Evenings in Future.

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At the annual meeting of the board of trade Tuesday the attention of the members was taken up with the regular routine work, the reception of reports and the appointment of officers and committees for the ensuing year.

President J. Wetmore Merritt occupied the chair, and there were present W. M. Jarvis, S. S. Hall, G. S. Fisher, Geo. Robertson, M. P. P., J. Hunter, A. C. Curry, Wm. McCavour, J. A. Likely, D. J. McLaughlin, W. F. Hatheway, John Sealy, W. G. Robertson, T. H. Estabrooks, John Bullock, E. A. Schofield, L. G. Crosby, T. Somerville, F. A. Dykeman, C. M. Bostwick, W. S. Fisher, W. E. Balle, T. Osborne and J. N. Sutherland.

After the reading and approval of the minutes of the last regular meeting of the board and the council, the annual report of the outgoing council was presented, giving a minute and comprehensive account of the business transacted during the year.

The membership of the board at the time of the last annual meeting was 148. During the year eighteen new members joined, three members died and six withdrew, making the present membership 157, a gain of nine in the year.

In May last the board took possession of their new and commodious rooms on Prince William street, a portion of which was placed at the disposal of the Tourist Association during the summer months.

Mention was made in the report of the success of the merchants' week, of the visit of C. A. Duff-Miller, agent general for New Brunswick at London, and its results, and of the annual meeting of the maritime board of trade.

A resume of the subjects which had engaged the attention of the board during the year was given, including technical education, corn inspection, improvement in the meteorological service, investigation into the loss of the str. Armenia, the redemption of worn silver coinage, the reduction of postage on drop letters, the restriction of the preferential tariff to goods entering Canadian ports, steam service between St. John and Sydney and other important subjects.

A bill introduced in the local legislature last winter providing for granting the franchise in St. John to ratepayers whose taxes were unpaid, was opposed by the council of the board in conjunction with the Common Council of St. John.

The appointment of a local examiner has engaged the anxious attention of the board, but no suitable person willing to comply with the requirements of the government for an examiner for the foreign service has been found.

The importance of dredging the entrance to the harbor has been urged on the government both by correspondence and by delegations at Ottawa.

Most careful and elaborate plans have been proposed and the work is now only awaiting the completion of a powerful suction dredge especially adapted for it, the construction of which has, it is understood, been already commenced in the government shipyard at St. John.

A special committee has given careful attention to the improvements in the safeguards to shipping in the Bay of Fundy and the approaches to the harbor.

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upon the government at Ottawa and urged that, in calling for new tenders for the Jamaica service, St. John be made a port of call as well as Halifax.

The trade of St. John with Yarmouth and the ports between that town and Halifax on the Atlantic coast having been seriously hampered by the want of a direct steamship communication from St. John, the council has given much attention to this traffic.

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of the kindly treatment and support always accorded him by the members of the board of the council.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the unanimous election of W. M. Jarvis as president, and John Sealy as vice president.

The ten members of the council to be elected by the full board were elected as follows: W. S. Fisher, F. H. Estabrooks, W. H. Thorne, D. J. McLaughlin, W. F. Hatheway, J. A. Likely, T. H. Somerville, S. S. Hall, G. S. Fisher, and H. B. Schofield.

W. M. Jarvis, after taking the chair, heartily thanked the board for the honor conferred upon him. The office, he felt, entailed a large amount of work and responsibility, which had lately been greatly increased by the questions arising with the development of St. John's winter port trade.

The position of St. John with reference to the winter shipping fifteen years ago was described, and a sketch given of the steady development with an account of business being transacted and freight for late seasons.

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HOGS HAVE SMALLPOX.

A Peculiar Outbreak Discovered by Buffalo Health Officers.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 28.—Dr. C. H. Zink, inspector in charge of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry at the Buffalo stock yards, discovered today what he believes to be an outbreak of smallpox among a consignment of hogs.

The animals were received from St. Louis last week and they passed the first inspection. After they had been slaughtered, Dr. Zink in making a microscopic examination of the viscera, discovered what he believed to be evidence of smallpox.

The slaughter houses are in the Polish district, where the local health authorities are at present engaged in checking an outbreak of smallpox.

The government bureau officials are under instructions to work in conjunction with the local health authorities in suppressing the outbreak here, and this afternoon Dr. Zink brought specimens of the diseased tissue to the bureau of health and submitted them to Dr. Wendt.

Wendt unhesitatingly confirmed the diagnosis of Dr. Zink. "If the disease develops in animals in the same way as it does in human beings, I should unhesitatingly call it smallpox," said Dr. Wendt.

These tissues bear all the characteristic marks of the disease. They are evidently of a contagious nature. The pitting and destruction of tissue are apparent as well as the characteristic smallpox pustules.

Children Cry for CASTORIA. AT FITTUSVILLE. The Yeomans brothers have taken up leases for the winter in the lumber woods. They have a very large crew.

Wm. E. Yeomans has been in the trapping business this season. He captured among other things a large shaggy looking animal with a long hooked bill. It looks something like an ant eater.

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