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ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETINGS OF CITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES

Financial Statements for the Past Year---Elections of Church Officers---St. Andrew's Votes to Have a Paid Choir, and Amalgamate With St. David's in Summer Services---Tower and New Pews for St. Matthew's

The annual meetings of nearly all the Presbyterian churches of the city were held Tuesday night. Reports from all follow:

Tower on St. Matthew's.

It is expected that by spring the work of building a tower on St. Matthew's Presbyterian church, Douglas avenue, will be commenced. It is also the intention to put in new pews.

It was moved at the annual meeting of the church last evening that these improvements be made and the motion was carried unanimously.

The pastor, Rev. A. H. Foster, presided and the new board of trustees elected are as follows: J. Fraser Gregory, Thomas Hastings, Geo. Blewett, Geo. Corbett, Thomas McMaster, Henry McKean and W. J. Lawson.

The receipts for the year were $1,114.40; expenditures, $1,113.29; balance on hand, $1.11. The Sunday school treasurer's report showed total receipts to be $266, expenditures $213.19, and balance on hand $53.19. The sum of $64.65 was spent for mission purposes.

The Senior Mission Band receipts amounted to $44.18, expenditures $32.34, and balance $11.84. The Junior Mission Band balance is $4.24 and Young Men's Association $40. The two mission bands contributed $28 to the mission funds. The Ladies' Aid Society balance is $92.76, with a special balance of $49.50 for debt.

For the year the church shows a net improvement of $251.55 over the previous year. In bonded debt $100 was paid off.

St. Stephen's Church.

The financial showing at the annual meeting of St. Stephen's church Jan. 17 was highly creditable and the trustee board fully deserved the hearty vote of thanks the meeting extended to them. Peter Campbell was chairman and Thomas Stothard was elected secretary.

The congregation contributed for all purposes more than $100 more in 1905 than the previous year. All the reports showed substantial advances in the work of the church. Nearly all the church societies had balances to their credit. These reports were from the women's foreign missionary society, the guild, the ladies' society, the Dorcas committee, the boys' brigade and the Sunday school. The report of the trustees showed receipts $4,669.82; expenditures, $4,651.61, leaving a balance on hand of $18.21.

The kirk session also reported that there had been raised for missionary and benevolent purposes $722.36. The following were elected trustees for the ensuing year: Henry Page, George W. Fleming, A. W. MacRae, D. Barry Doig, Douglas McArthur, J. Cecil Mitchell, William Gilchrist, LeBaron Wilson and Chas. L. Drury.

Calvin Church.

The annual meeting of Calvin church was held last Wednesday evening. The financial statement showed:

Income.

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1904	$ 13.22
Contributions per envelopes	518.20
Loose collections	331.05
Ladies' Aid Society	165.00
Young People's Guild	30.00
Trustees' concert	6.85
Boys' Brigade	3.23
Contribution from Rev. Jas. Ross	60.00
Contribution from Dr. Jas. Walker	40.00
Total receipts	$1,167.58

Expenditures.

Minister's stipend	$ 400.00
Balance due on stipend	20.00
Rev. J. W. A. Nicholson (special)	50.00
Rev. L. A. McLean (special)	37.50
Sexton and choir	181.50
Coal, gas and water	151.82
Freeze Bros.	33.71
Interest on mortgage	210.49
Presbytery assessment	7.00
T. S. Hill, sec. Sun. school	3.25
Sundries	36.28
	$1,131.64
Bal. on hand Dec. 31, 1905	35.94
	$1,167.58

There was also $43.83 collected for session.

The ladies' aid total receipts were $221.43 and of this $165 had been paid the board of directors. The Sunday school income was $83.47 and there is a balance of $38.51 on hand.

The trustees elected are J. H. Murphy, chairman; Thomas Hill, James Rossiter, Alex. McKenzie, James Buchanan, J. Ottis Clark, Frank Murphy, F. B. Hayward and S. Work. F. B. Hayward is treasurer and Thos. Hill, secretary.

St. John Church.

St. John Presbyterian church held its annual meeting Jan. 17. There was a large gathering of the members and refreshments were served by the Ladies' Aid Society.

The reports from the various organizations were highly satisfactory. Fourteen new members were added to the communion roll (ten of them from the Sunday school) during the year, and in that time a floating debt of $600 had been reduced to $200.

The officers for the Sunday school are: Chas. H. Doig, supt.; E. M. Slader, sec.; A. Robinson, treas.; M. Morrison, lib.; and Miss L. Kennedy, organist. W. J. Parks is superintendent of the home department and Miss F. Cummings superintendent of the cradle roll department.

The trustees of the church are: J. V. Russell, E. J. Armstrong, W. S. Clawson, W. J. Parks, C. H. Doig, H. H. Burns, M. Morrison, J. H. Crockett and J. C. Henderson.

St. Andrew's to Have Paid Choir.

At the annual meeting of St. Andrew's church the trustees with the musical committee were empowered to allocate a sum sufficient to secure a paid choir. The volunteer choir has been very satisfactory but in the summer time it was reported very hard to secure the attendance of members, which was interfered with by vacation and otherwise.

The church has paid off a debt of $950 during 1905 and has a balance of $140.61 on hand to begin the year with. The total amount raised last year for all purposes was $8,116.46 and expenditures $7,975.85. The reports received from the various societies of the church were most encouraging and showed a deeper interest in the work.

It was suggested that during the summer when the ministers have their vacations that St. Andrew's and St. David's churches worship jointly in each other's buildings. The matter was left with the ministers to arrange. Hon. J. G. Forbes acted as chairman of the meeting last night and Alexander Wilson as secretary.

The following trustees were elected for the ensuing year: Dr. F. E. Smith, Frank Rankine, Dr. J. R. McIntosh, Alexander Wilson, Dr. P. R. Inches, C. H. Ferguson, R. M. Magee, W. M. Angus and G. H. McRobbie. The annual meeting of the Sunday school was held yesterday afternoon and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Hon. J. G. Forbes, superintendent; A. L. Law, assistant superintendent; D. McRobbie, secretary-treasurer; Frank White, librarian; F. Finley, assistant librarian.

St. David's Church.

The annual meeting of St. David's church was held Wednesday in the lecture room, James Seaton in the chair. Francis F. Burpee was appointed secretary. Reports from session, trustees, Sabbath school and various societies of the church were read and approved. These reports showed large increase in membership and contributions, and a very active interest in every department of the church work. The sum of $800 was voted for the choir for the ensuing year. The election of trustees resulted in the old board being returned, viz.: F. F. Burpee, G. R. Ewing, A. R. Melrose, N. J. Morrison, T. J. McPherson, D. McClelland, Fred Shaw, Jas. Seaton and D. R. Willet. A vote of thanks was passed to the retiring board of trustees and the treasurer. The following is the financial statement for the year:—

Financial Statement for 1905.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1905		$ 2,102.34
Receipts during year:—		
For congregational purposes	$5,702.13	
Church debt and improvement account	1,050.79	
Schemes of church and missions	1,349.27	
Other religious purposes	148.30	
Loan (debt and improvement account)	1,500.00	
		$ 9,760.49
Total		$11,862.83
Disbursed:—		
For congregational purposes	$5,440.64	
Church debts and improvement account	3,540.73	
Schemes of church and missions	1,211.52	
Other religious purposes	165.94	
Bal. on hand Dec. 31, 1905	1,503.95	
		$11,862.83

Carleton Church.

There was a good attendance at the annual congregational meeting of the Carleton Presbyterian church held in the church school room Wednesday. The reports of the session, trustees, Sunday school, benevolent fund, senior mission band, Young People's Association and Women's Foreign Missionary Society were read and accepted and showed the church to be in a healthy condition financially, being entirely without debt, and there have been placed in the building two new furnaces which were paid for chiefly from the ordinary funds of the church.

The trustees elected for the year were: Wm. Ruddock, W. G. Watson, John Cruikshank, John Montgomery, James Gilliland, James McLennan, Walter B. Brown, W. G. McLennan and Smeeton Wilson. The auditors chosen for the year are Jasper Cameron and Thos. Rippey.

Apohaqui Notes.

Apohaqui, Jan. 18.—The Apohaqui Literary Club met at Mrs. Herbert Jones', St. George street, on Wednesday evening. In memoriam by Tennyson was taken up and a very pleasant time enjoyed by all. They will meet at William Johnston's, Main street, on Wednesday, 24th, at 8 p. m.

Miss Pearl Veysey is seriously ill at her home. Dr. Pearson, of Sussex, is in attendance.

Mrs. George H. Secord is convalescent.

The many friends of Mrs. Neil Johnson, Water street, will be sorry to hear of her continued illness.

Mrs. Arthur Cook, of Carsonville, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. S. McEwen.

Mrs. Hazen Folkins moved to Salisbury last week.

W. Gosline, of Gardner, Maine, spent Sunday in the village.

Rev. McKay (Presbyterian), who passed through the village on his way to the presbytery, St. John, on Monday, returned Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCauley took the morning train on Monday for their home in Salisbury after spending a few days at Lower Millstream.

J. E. Good, who has been on Millstream for a short time, left for St. John on Tuesday en route for the northwest.

Silas Fenwick, of Boston, is visiting his sister, Ruth Fenwick, of Berwick (N. B.)

Hauling is suspended, as the rain on Tuesday last has taken all the snow and most of the ice.

Sussex News.

Sussex, Jan. 18—The town council met last evening the work being mostly of a routine nature. H. W. Folkins being appointed overseer of the poor.

F. W. Wallace has reconsidered his resignation as secretary of the board of health and will remain on the board for the present year.

A very quiet wedding which took place last Tuesday at the home of Wilmot Asbell, and just come to light today, was performed by the Rev. Frank Baird when Miss Georgie Marr of Newtown was united in marriage to Walter W. Parlee. The happy young couple will make their future home in Carsonville.

The farmers in the western part of the state, and, in fact, all over New England, are not very enthusiastic over the open winter. There is too much freezing and thawing of the grass to do it any good, as will be very evident next June, they say.

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BETRAYED BY CURIOUS PIPE IMMIGRANT PROVES CONVICT

There appeared before the U. S. immigration inspection board here Wednesday nine Hungarians, who had come from Sydney (C. B.), and were seeking entrance to the United States, in which country they had first lived upon arrival from Hungary.

With one exception all were permitted to pass. The one who has been detained is named Andras Stomp, and about the act of his detention hang somewhat interesting circumstances.

He had nearly passed the necessary examination when a somewhat impressive looking pipe that he carried aroused attention. Just casually the remark was made that the pipe from its general appearance was calculated to create attention.

Stomp said that he had made it, and after a few more questions had been asked he said he had made it when serving a term in a Hungarian penitentiary.

Having had difficulties with a certain man he felt called upon to administer a thrashing, and for the offence was imprisoned on the charge of assault. He served a term and subsequently left for the United States, bearing with him a passport, which was given him, he says, upon his release from prison. He showed it to the inspectors.

As ex-convicts are excluded from the United States it was seen that the man had best be held back. His friends went on and he is here. It is understood that he has about $70 and that it is his intention to appeal the case to the authorities at Washington.

But the real significance of the whole matter lies in the fact that what Andras Stomp tells is contrary to the professed attitude of the Hungarian government, respecting the emigration of the criminal classes. In the current number of the North American Review Baron Louis de Lavay, royal commissioner of emigration in Hungary, has written at the instance of the Hungarian government an article called "The Hungarian Emigration Law." The object is to correct misunderstandings which have arisen respecting the professed attitude of Hungary toward the emigration of the kingdom's subjects to the United States in particular. It has been claimed that Hungary was desirous of ridding herself of undesirable subjects at the expense of other countries—the United States especially.

Baron Lavay, after citing the law which provides for the most stringent measures for limiting emigration and forbids emigration to those who are criminal or weak minded, says:

"The facts here given prove conclusively that the Hungarian government in its effort to check emigration from which its own country suffers irreparable, economical and moral injury, has gone to the extreme limits of a free state against its free citizens. It is also patent that the Hungarian legislature was not animated in its endeavor merely by a regard for the interests of its subjects, but that it was also anxious to respect the laws of foreign powers, especially those of the United States."

The baron tells further of a frontier police system, which subjects all emigrants to a rigorous examination.

Against all this, though, is the passport given Stomp upon his release from imprisonment, a case of a document on one hand signed and numbered and given to a self-confessed convict, and on the other a government authority saying such a thing as has really happened could never be.

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Amherst Items.

Amherst, Jan. 18.—A most enjoyable time was spent in Parish Hall last evening when the many friends of the rector, Rev. Mr. Creswell, met to bid him and Mrs. Creswell welcome after an extended trip to England. Stewart Jenks voiced the expression of those present in a very appropriate address of welcome. Mr. Creswell replied suitably.

A young man by the name of Jess Collentt, belonging to P. E. Island, while blasting at the plaster quarries yesterday received serious injuries to his head and eyes by a premature blast. He was brought to Amherst and placed in Highland View Hospital.

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OBITUARY.

Mrs. W. C. King.

Chipman, Queens Co., Jan. 16—At an early hour this morning Mrs. Elizabeth King, widow of W. C. King, died at her residence, aged sixty years. She was taken ill with pneumonia on Sunday and her death came very unexpected and as a great shock to her numerous friends. Heart trouble was the immediate cause of her death.

She is survived by two daughters—Maud and Bessie—both at home, and two sons—Harry, of the King Lumber Company, and Frank, who is studying at a dental college in Boston; also a widowed mother, Mrs. Crandall, aged eighty-seven years; one sister, Mrs. H. D. Mott, of St. John, and two brothers—E. E. Crandall, of the King Lumber Company, and Noble Crandall, of Wolfville (N.S.).

Mrs. James Bryant.

Mrs. James Bryant, of Fairville, died at her home Tuesday of heart failure. The deceased was sixty-five years of age, and leaves her husband and four children to mourn. The children are Jas. E. Bryant, the Main street grocer; Mrs. Fred. McCormick, Mrs. Samuel Wilson, and Mrs. Hampton White, all of Fairville. Interment was at Lorneville.

Duncan D. Fletcher.

Duncan D. Fletcher, one of the ablest and most popular of the newspaper men of Boston, died suddenly at his residence, Dorchester (Mass.) last Saturday night. He was for a number of years police headquarters' reporter on the Boston Advertiser. He was also the publisher of the Anglo-American. He married Miss Reinnie, of Bathurst (N. B.) Mrs. W. J. Draper, of Horsfield street, is a sister-in-law.

Miss Phœbe Shaw.

Miss Phœbe Shaw died Tuesday at the residence of Mrs. H. W. Blizzard, 127 Erin street, aged seventy-seven years.

Mrs. James Lee.

Mrs. Lee, wife of James Lee, brick manufacturer, died at her home, No. 26 Richmond street, Wednesday. She was ill for about ten days after a stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Lee was well thought of by her large circle of friends and acquaintances. Besides her husband, six daughters survive—Misses Theresa, Annie, Louise, Alice and Ella, at home, and Mrs. A. W. Atkinson, of Sackville. A sister, Mrs. William Godsoe, and two brothers live in New York.

W. Dunwood Barton.

The death of W. Dunwood Barton occurred at Torryburn Thursday. Mr. Barton had been ill for several months and about four weeks ago he was stricken with paralysis. He was for a number of years an employe of the American Laundry, but about two years ago he moved to Torryburn, where he had since resided.

Mr. Barton leaves his wife, mother, four brothers and five sisters to mourn their loss. The brothers are C. E., Samuel and Frederick, of this city, and William of New York, and the sisters are: Mrs. W. Armstrong, Mrs. H. Smith, Mrs. Harding and Mrs. T. Fairweather, of this city, and Mrs. H. H. Bolyea, of Moncton.

The body will be taken to Queens county on Saturday for interment. There will be service at the house this evening.

Weddings.

McCann-Donnelly.

James V. McCann was married Tuesday morning in the Cathedral to Miss Laura, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Donnelly. The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. W. Meahan. The bride wore navy blue broadcloth and white picture hat, with blue trimmings, and carried a white prayer book. She was attended by her sister, Miss Sara, who wore brown broadcloth and hat to match. After the ceremony, the bridal party drove to the home of the bride's parents, Paradise row, where a wedding breakfast was served.

Maxwell-Smith.

Miss Ethel Mildred Smith and George Stewart Maxwell were married at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon in Queen square Methodist church, the pastor, Rev. G. M. Campbell, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Sidney Smith, of Advocate Harbor (N. S.), and is a sister to J. Willard Smith, of this city. The groom lived formerly at Bear River (N. S.) but now resides in Lowell (Mass.), where he is physical director of the Y. M. C. A. He is a graduate of the Springfield Training School, and is quite well known in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell left on the 6 o'clock train for Massachusetts.

Ells-Sheppard.

The following tells of the marriage of W. W. Ells, a former resident of Carleton, who is prospering in the far west. A Vancouver paper says:

"W. W. Ells, one of the most popular members of the staff of H. A. Edgett & Co., the "House of Plenty," can no longer say to his fellow members of the staff that he is an unhappy bachelor. On New Year's day he was married to Miss Rose Sheppard, recently organist of the Unitarian church at Great Falls (Mont.) The bride is a well-trained and accomplished musician and will be a welcome addition to Vancouver's musical circles.

"The ceremony was performed at the residence of the groom's mother, Mrs. Ells, corner of Carl and Barnard streets, Rev. W. E. Pescott officiating, and the bride was given away by Walter Hamm. The handsome display of bridal presents included two exceedingly well-chosen ones from H. A. Edgett & Co. and one from the staff of that firm. Mr. and Mrs. Ells are now enjoying their honeymoon in Victoria and the Sound cities and on their return will take up their residence in Davie street.

Colwell-Best.

A pretty home wedding was solemnized Wednesday when Miss Georgietta Colwell became the bride of Frank L. Best, the ceremony taking place at 8.30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's father, Chas. H. Colwell, No. 18 Chapel street.

Rev. Samuel Howard, pastor of Portland Methodist church, officiated. The bride looked charming, wearing a dress of grey silk within chiffon trimmings, and she carried a shower bouquet. The gifts were numerous and beautiful, and included a quarter oak rocker from Messrs. Henderson & Hunt, with whom the groom is employed, and a polished mahogany centre table from the employes of the establishment.

The groom's gift to the bride was a diamond ring. Mr. and Mrs. Best will live at No. 18 Chapel street.

LOCALS

James Crandall is about to start a lumber camp and saw mill at Blagden, near Westfield.

The Acadia Sugar Refining Company yesterday reduced sugar price ten cents per 100 pounds.

According to the latest reports the St. John river is open as far as Nat Belyea's, about three miles above the Reach.

George McGovern, a C. P. R. brakeman, wrenched his ankle badly on Tuesday at Harvey Station. He will be around again in a few days.

G. H. Arnold, of Arnold's Department store, 11-15 Charlotte street, has leased the building lately occupied by Robertson, Trites & Co., Ltd., 83 and 85 Charlotte street, and will remove about May 1.

W. I. Barton and W. B. Parks are appointed to represent the St. John Council of the National Association of Marine Engineers of Canada at the coming session of the grand council. Donald Kingston and Alex. Watson are alternates. The grand council will convene at Levis, Quebec, Jan. 23.

The Natural History Society has elected J. V. Ellis, president; Dr. G. U. Hay, and Dr. G. F. Mathew, vice-presidents; A. Gordon Leavitt, treasurer; W. L. McDiarmid, secretary; Dr. W. L. Ellis, librarian; S. W. Kain, W. McIntosh and J. W. Banks, curators; H. G. Addy, M. D., J. Roy Campbell and W. F. Burditt, additional members of council.

The officers of Union Chapter R. A. were installed Tuesday evening as follows: W. L. Ellis, H. P.; J. Carleton, K.; P. W. Wetmore, S.; W. J. Cornfield, T.; E. R. W. Ingraham, Sec.; D. C. Clark, C. of H.; Maurice Tufts, R. A. C.; J. D. P. Lewin, P. S.; W. Amos, John Adams, A. R. C. Clark, M. of V.; S. Jarvis, janitor.

T. S. Blair, of the Richards Lumber Company, of Campbellton, is at the Royal. Mr. Blair says that the prospects are for an average lumber cut, unless the snow continues light. His company expect to get out between five and six millions of lumber if weather conditions are favorable. Wages are about the average, men for the woods getting from $18 to $26 a month.

A woman who, according to report, had been taking refreshment of a somewhat questionable nature, was about the railway station Tuesday afternoon. She was bound, she said, to Port Mulgrave (N. S.), and was very much concerned because of the loss of ticket and baggage checks. Her distress was very noticeable, and she was advised, before giving up all hope, to make a thorough search, which she did. Ticket and checks were found.

It is understood the Judicature Act, which the provincial government will introduce at the coming session of the legislature, is now being drafted. It is proposed to provide a court of appeal, sitting at Fredericton, to consist of the chief justice and two other judges, while the other judges would go on circuit. Thus no judge would sit on appeal from his own court. It is said the proposition is to have four judges on circuit. In case that is agreed to it will be necessary for the dominion government to appoint another judge, as there are only six now. It is also proposed to abolish magistrates' courts, to increase the jurisdiction of the county courts, and to appoint three more county court judges.

Chatham Happenings.

Chatham, Jan. 17—At yesterday afternoon's session of the municipal council Coun. Ryan presented a petition from sixty-two residents of North Esk asking that the bye-law prohibiting cattle and sheep from running between Johnson and Way bridges from May 1st to Oct. 30th be repealed.

Coun. Neale from committee of petitions, reported recommending that this petition be not granted, and especially calling attention to the fact that the petition and all the names appended thereto were in one handwriting, thus rendering the document not a proper petition. He moved the adoption of the report.

Coun. Ryan moved in amendment that the prayer of the petition be granted, The names had been written by their owners, but the document had become so torn and dirty he did not consider it fit to present to the council and had copied it, including the signatures.

Coun. Neale answered that the original even through torn and worn would have had more weight with the council than a copy.

The amendment was lost and the report adopted.

Coun. Maltby stated that he had been informed that Sheldrake Island had been bought by the magistrates some ten years ago and was now county property and thought it the duty of the council to ascertain the facts as it was a valuable property. He moved that the secretary-treasurer be authorized to look up the records.

Coun. Neale seconded the motion, which was carried. Adjourned.

Fred Fowlie, of Little Branch, met with a serrious accident last evening. While adjusting a screw in his gasoline mill his right hand became entangled in the machinery and the two middle fingers were sawn off between the second and third joints before he could extricate them.

The many friends of Mrs. Fred Stothart, Ferryville, were sorry to hear of her very serious accident. She had just finished sewing on a button and in cutting the thread the needle flew up, the point penetrating the pupil of one of her eyes. It is feared she will lose the sight.

Prof. Watson, of Mt. Allison University, will occupy St. Luke's church pulpit at both services next Sunday.

The members of the Fancy Work Guild, Loggieville, are preparing for a cobweb party to be held in the Temperance hall there on Friday evening.

The lecture on the Preservation of the Forests by Dr. Cox, which was to have been given at the meeting of the Miramichi Natural History Association, last evening, was postponed on account of the weather.

Charles Robinson has been chosen to represent the Chatham Curling Club at the curlers congress to be held in Truro (N. S.), on the 23rd, to decide what is to be done with the McLellan cup and arrange for future meetings of the Maritime Curlers' Association.

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HARD LABOR SYSTEM FOR JAIL PRISONERS A SUCCESS

Councillor Lewis Commended for What He Has Accomplished—Protest Against Fees for Doctors and Other Items in Preston Trial—Want Sewerage Act Amended for Lancaster—A St. Martins Bill.

At the quarterly meeting of the municipal council Tuesday the bills and bye-laws committee were authorized to prepare amendments to the act relating to putting in new sewerage in Lancaster. Councillor Lewis was accorded a standing vote of thanks for his work in connection with the jail prisoners. The warden entered a protest against the heavy witness fees in the recent Preston case. The warden, F. M. Cochrane, occupied the chair and with the exception of Councillors White, Christie and Millidge, the full council was present with County Secretary Vincent and J. A. Magilton, the auditor, Marshall Coughlan was in attendance.

The following report of the finance committee was submitted:

Finances.

Matthew McFarland, M. D., coroner, holding two inquests and one view	$ 30.00
D. E. Berryman, M. D., coroner, holding inquests and views	105.40
County Secretary, half cost care of offices, $5.25; $ amps, $5; making up list of voters for 1906, $25	35.25
County Treasurer, care of offices to date, $4.50; stamps, 50c.; almanac, 25c.	5.25
James H. Pullen, repairs to Court House	32.48
High Sheriff, revising list of voters, 1906	50.00
W. H. Bowman, repairs to Court House	3.25
John B. Jones, registry of births, marriages and deaths, for six months ending Dec. 31st, 1905	128.00
F. E. Holman, repairing blind, secretary's office	.25
R. P. & W. F. Starr, coal, registry office	69.95
J. & A. McMillan, supplies secretary's office, $48.94; blank books registry office, $37.40; forms for registry births, marriages and deaths, $20.50	106.84

Councillor Bullock objected to certain items which appeared in the contingent fund on the ground that they increased the loan at the Bank of New Brunswick.

Secretary Vincent said it was the custom to charge everything to the contingent fund unless there was a fund for a special purpose.

The report was adopted.

A statement from the registrar that the amount in the bank was $389.30 was filed.

Hard Labor for Jail Prisoners.

Councillor Lewis submitted his annual report on jail labor for 1905. He said that last winter an average of fourteen men were employed shoveling snow. Later in the year the gang broke and loaded 706 tons of stone, besides 200 tons broken and left. The new lake was finished. Prison labor had a good effect upon the men. On conclusion of last year's work there was only one St. John man against nineteen when he started the work. There were no men from the county.

The councillor also paid a tribute to the kindness of the officials. He advocated a proper shed which could be moved to a large rock where stone could be quarried. Regarding women in the jail, he advised they should work at repairing overalls and socks at regular hours. Referring to drunkenness as the cause of many of the men being in jail, he advocated the police reporting cases to the magistrate and having the men put on the interdict list. The mothers and daughters would be saved much suffering.

In conclusion the councillor said as his committee men were too far apart to be called together frequently he hoped the council and citizens generally would approve of his work.

Councillor McGoldrick congratulated him on the success of his work. Formerly, he said, the jail had been regarded as a comfortable lodging for the winter, where a man could smoke his pipe and indulge in an occasional game of forty-fives. (Laughter). Now after a week or so of work men came to the conclusion it was better outside. He thought that the mothers and daughters referred to by the councillor should report cases to the magistrate themselves.

Councillor MacRae said the present able management of the prisoners had led to considerable reduction in expenditure. There was now no need to increase the accommodation, which was at one time contemplated. He drew attention to the power of every magistrate or justice of the peace to report a man for drunkenness and thought there was no need of relatives or the police being called upon.

The report was adopted and a vote of thanks to Councillor Lewis was carried by a standing vote and ordered entered on the minutes.

More Workable Sewerage Act.

Councillor Lowell referred to the sewerage act which required a petition of two-thirds of the ratepayers to the council to secure any new work being undertaken. He said in Lancaster a petition had been largely signed during the past year but people were anxious to know beforehand the cost. There was no way an estimate could be given under the act as they could not employ anyone. He wished some amendments made to secure a more workable system and moved that the act be referred to the bills and bye-laws committee with the councillors for Lancaster to prepare whatever amendments might be necessary.

Councillor MacRae, in seconding the motion, said the question of sewerage was a vital one in a growing district like Fairville. The population was largely a floating one and in the event of an epidemic the results elsewhere might be serious.

Councillor Bullock thought the council should receive a report from the committee and regretted that it was now too late for this to be done.

Councillor Hooley asked why the matter had not been taken up before. He was in favor of a plebiscite of the ratepayers being first taken instead of leaving the matter to a committee with power to act. He moved an amendment that the report be considered at a special meeting of the council. The amendment was not seconded.

Councillor Baxter suggested that four city councillors be added to the committee.

Councillor Lowell agreed and Councillors Pickett, McArthur, Tilley and McGoldrick were placed on the committee and the motion was carried.

A St. Martins Man's Claim.

Jas. Rourke, of St. Martins, was heard with reference to a claim against the municipality for lumber supplied and other charges, including his fees as an assessor. Against this there was a contra account and Mr. Rourke claimed a balance of $76.75 in his favor.

The transactions were explained by Mr. Rourke in detail. They dated back to 1899. It appeared that the matter had been overlooked for a number of years.

On motion of Councillor Baxter the matter was referred to the finance committee to hear evidence under oath and with power to act.

A bill of Dr. Gillmor, of St. Martins, for $9 for viewing two bodies was passed.

On motion of Councillor Baxter a standing order was made to pay the marshall $1.50 for each day's attendance.

Say Preston Case Bills Are Too High.

The warden drew attention to a bill for $112 presented in connection with the Preston case. The account included four days' attendance for Drs. Roberts and Scammell and for Dr. Addy three days' attendance at [illegible] These items also to which he took excepton, including a bill for $5 from Chief Clark. According to the act they were bound to pay but he claimed this was an injustice, and that the act affected every municipality in the province. He thought the doctors should be paid $5 each and no more as they were within easy reach of the court when wanted. He was strongly in favor of memorializing the government to get the section of the act repealed.

Councillor MacRae said he understood the attorney-general would look into the matter and some items might be reduced. He believed the heavy costs in these cases might tend to influence grand juries to throw bills out to save the municipality being involved in criminal proceedings.

The council then adjourned.

St. Martins News.

St. Martins, Jan. 18.—A number of enterprising citizens have resolved to add to the many attractions of the village an open air skating rink. To carry out this project a meeting was held a few evenings ago and the following officers were elected: President, W. E. Skillen; secretary-treasurer, W. L. Barker; committee, Harry Calhoun, Wendell H. Bentley, J. Fownes, B. Wishart, A. Rourke. The rink will be situated in a field owned by Dr. H. E. Gilmour. It is understood it will be free to the public.

The schooner Swallow, Capt. Alfred Ells, is loading lumber for the Hammond River Lumber Company for St. John market. She will be towed to the city by tug.

The schooner H. A. Holder, 95 tons, Capt. C. Smith, is loading for the O'Neal Lumber Company and will sail for St. John.

On Wednesday evening the annual business meeting of the St. Martins Baptist church was held in the church vestry. The pastor's report showed that during the year the pastor, Rev. C. W. Townsend, had preached 139 sermons, delivered 66 addresses, made 765 visits, performed three marriage ceremonies, and attended 14 funerals.

The reports of the secretary, treasurer, trustees and Sabbath school secretary, were received and adopted. J. P. Mosher was re-elected deacon. James Delong and Nathaniel McCumber were elected deacons in place of John D. Bradshaw and Charles Carr, deceased. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Church clerk, Deacon J. S. Titus; treasurer, Nathaniel McCumber, in place of William Smith, retired; choir leader, E. A. Titus; organist, Maud Clark; trustees, H. A. Fownes, A.O. White, Whitefield McIntyre, James Delong, Councillor C. F. Black, Capt. W. H. Moran, William Smith and Crawford Love.

After votes of thanks to the various officers and the pronouncing of the benediction by the pastor the meeting adjourned.

The following officers were elected by the Baptist Sabbath school for the ensuing year: Superintendent, E. A. Titus; assistant superintendent, A. W. Fownes; secretary, Grace Fownes, treasurer, Ada Love; librarians, Mary Cochran, Annie Delong.

On Thursday evening the members of the W. C. T. U. and some invited guests held their annual social at the home of Mrs. Joseph Carson. After the rendering of an excellent programme, consisting of vocal and instrumental duets speeches and readings, refreshments were served, after which the meeting broke up, all highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

Bartibogue Lumber Company.

A number of gentlemen recently met at R. A. Lawlor's office, Chatham, and formed a company to be known as the Bartibogue Boom Co. The following officers were elected:

James Robinson, president.

William Damery, vice-president.

Michael Fox, William Damery, Herbert McDonald, Martin Connell, James Robinson, James Russell, John McDonald, directors.

R. A. Lawlor, secretary-treasurer.—[Newcastle Advocate.

Sturdy Skaters from the Narrows

Alfred Wilson and Eliphalet McCutcheon, who live near the Narrows, came to the city Monday, having traveled the fifty odd miles between the Narrows and St. John on skates. Mr. Wilson is seventy-four and Mr. McCutcheon sixty-six.

SAVED FROM THE SURGEON'S KNIFE

Never has any remedy proved more successful in curing piles than Dr. Hamilton's Pills; they give instant relief, restore natural conditions, and prevent the haemorrhoids from returning. Nor is proof lacking. "I suffered about the limit of human endurance," writes Miss Luedeke, of Cornwall, Ont. "I was employed in a factory here, but had to give up work till I got cured. I read about Dr. Hamilton's Pills, and after using them two weeks was cured. I can highly recommend them as a perfect safeguard against piles." Every person is benefited by Dr. Hamilton's Pills; they regulate the system, make you feel well and cheerful. Better try these good pills, 25c per box, or five boxes for $1. At all dealers in medicine or by mail from Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont."