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Administration granted November 18, 1921.
Dated at Lawrencetown, N. S., July 13th, 1922.

Doubtless many personal items are absent from our columns at times and this must happen often against our wishes till we become more thoroughly acquainted. However, it is the desire of the MONITOR Management to make the personal columns as interesting and complete as possible. If our readers have friends visiting, kindly let us know. Any other bonafide items of a personal nature are always welcome. Write or phone.

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The Gem, Lawrencetown

LAWRENCETOWN AND ANNAPOLIS IN TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Lawrencetown.—On Friday last Annapolis Tennis Club members motored up and were the guests of the Lawrencetown Tennis Club for a tournament play. Some twenty members comprised the guests from Annapolis. The cars reached here about three o'clock and play was at once commenced. The day was ideal for tennis, there being no sun to interfere and just enough breeze to make playing a pleasurable exertion for participants. The courts had previously been out in the very best of shape, and although neither club had much more edge than the other the result was a splendid brand of tennis by both teams, and the scores go to show how evenly the two clubs are matched, and when the return games are played which will probably be on Friday coming another good day of tennis may be expected. The scores by events follow:

Ladies Singles:—Miss Anderson, Annapolis, won over Miss James, Lawrencetown, scores being 4-6, 6-4 and 8-6.

Mixed Doubles:—Miss M. B. Ringer and R. C. Bishop, Lawrencetown, won over Miss Whitman and Mr. Pickup, Annapolis, scores being 6-1, 1-6 and 6-4.

Ladies Doubles:—Misses O. Atlee and S. Atlee, Annapolis, won over Miss D. Jefferson and Mrs. R. R. Ritchie, Lawrencetown, scores being: 6-0, 2-6 and 7-5.

Gents Singles:—R. C. Bishop, Lawrencetown, won over Mr. Armstrong, Annapolis, scores being 6-0, and 6-3.

Gents Doubles:—L. H. Ringer and R. C. Bishop, Lawrencetown, won over Mr. Whitman and M. Harris, Annapolis, the scores being 6-0, and 6-0.

After the events refreshments were served at the Demonstration Building by the lady members of the Lawrencetown Tennis Club and were enjoyed by all. After having enjoyed their lost as well as gained tennis events and after a few friendly sets played mixedly, the Annapolis guests left by automobiles for their homes. Return events will be played this Friday if the Mrs. J. F. Taylor was the hostess at the building and had everything arranged in a very pleasant and outgoing way. The Misses Eleanor Taylor and Mabel McLeod proved very efficient servers.

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Graphic Review of Conditions and Progress in Lawrencetown

Building Operations Brisk. Community Organization Suggested. Splendid Power Plant. Public Library Established.

In Lawrencetown we have a town that has never before been given the publicity or prominence that it so richly deserves. No person has ever taken it upon themselves to extol its many points of interest and by far too many have been content with things as they exist to-day. As to location, Lawrencetown holds an enviable place in the hearts of any and all tourists, visitors, etc., who have ever enjoyed the luxurious environment and health giving properties of the town. It might be satisfying to know that any tourists who ever come to Lawrencetown are never content until they come the second and third time.

The people are particularly noted for their hospitality, and it is a general rule that when strangers are in town to give them the entire freedom that tends to make them cheery and happy.

The town is unable to boast of an incorporated body, and despite the fact that there is no general organization that tends to bring worker and employer into closer working harmony, there are to-day existent in the town five general merchandise establishments each doing their respective share of business, and securing the highest type of co-operation between employer and employee.

It would be an enterprising idea if some of our promoters would project a scheme patterned after some of the later and larger towns that have no bigger or better business situations than we have whereby some type of a Community Organization that would be working in the interests of the citizens of the town could be instituted. Such things are not impossible however unusual they might appear to be, and with some freely working public organization from which could emanate the town's institutions, I feel quite safe in saying that we would have achieved the first real step towards bringing into the town new settlers and that will all tend to build the town into as large and enterprising a community as would be a satisfaction to all PRESENT and any future citizens.

There has been extended for the summer months through Owl connections to Annapolis thus affording town people who are working outside an opportunity to reach home after work on Saturday night and return on Monday morning, thus losing none of their working time, and it is quite surprising how many avail themselves of such an opportunity extended to us through the courtesy of the D.A.R.

With each person helping to improve their premises as many have been doing the past few weeks, by building improvements,—painting, cleaning up the yards, etc., the place will make for itself an enviable name as well as an inviting spot to passers-by, and judging by the number of cars that pass each day without stopping, it might be a bright idea to hold out some certain inducements. The confectionery and ice cream merchants would certainly appreciate that move perhaps more than we others. The main point that must be borne in mind, however, is that we want to earn for the town a reputation that will place it in the public eye of all concerned.

The town is now able to boast of a lately organized Masonic Lodge, which at the present time appears to be in a flourishing condition. The Masons are taking full control of what has in past years been known as the Farmers Picnic, and that goes to show what better conditions an organized body can work under than an unorganized, and we would feel quite safe in stating that the success of this year's picnic is already assured, and furthermore it is the intention of the promoters to make the picnic one of the grandest events ever held in Lawrencetown. Publicity will be given well in advance of the gala event, and if I was given permission I would cheerfully advise each and every person within a radius of thirty miles to place that day aside as being one of the greatest events in their lives as it is at present the intention of the promoters to introduce

schemes that have never before been witnessed in any part of this locality, and events that no person can afford to miss.

Other organized gatherings are not of a formidable or outstanding character, although we have had in the past a branch of the Sons of Temperance that occupied a very important place in the social life of the town. With a little more push this same organization could easily be revived, and social winter evenings once more restored.

The residences are grouped together, forming a neat array of buildings on both sides of the river. The new buildings that are being erected are helping materially towards adding to the attractiveness of the town, and when completed will all be occupied by people who have as well been residents of the town but who have recently sold their other homesteads to outside people. This fact in itself speaks well for the high esteem in which the town is held by her loyal sons and daughters.

An orchestra has lately been organized and have already held many practices, having participated in the farewell service of Rev. H. T. Jones before his departure for Truro, besides having taken part in several other social activities in the town. Mr. Kenneth Whitman for many years leader of the Lawrencetown band is the director, and has associated with himself a body of the most talented artists available.

The Annapolis River flows directly between two portions of the town thus dividing it into Lawrencetown proper, and what really might be called Lawrencetown South, with a connecting link called Bridge Street between them.

The river affords power for operating one of the best electric light plants in the Province, and several times has it been under consideration to extend the lighting system to outside points thus affording the outlying districts as many of the modern conveniences connected with electricity as we ourselves are in a position to enjoy. At the inception of the electric lighting system a flat rate was employed, but during the present year changes have been made whereby the metre system has been introduced, and while it does not prove to give the town as sparkling an appearance as formerly enjoyed it nevertheless more nearly equalizes the power supply and at least affords a more economic base for working on.

Sports are given their share of importance, a sports team captained by Les. Messenger being already instituted, as well as a lately organized junior ball group captained by Ronald Shaffner. Consequently the town is well supplied with sport. Both teams have able bodies of players and thus far have made an excellent showing in all games played. The junior aggregation are rapidly rounding into shape, and bid fair to develop into a group of the future star ball tossers of the Province if only they can remain together.

The town is able to boast of a Demonstration Building in the West End, and it is on these grounds that the baseball games are held. The building itself affords a place for holding Short Courses for farmers, as well as short courses for the women. During the winter months it is used as a gathering place for parties, and public meetings. As a public building it fills a very prominent place for the use of the citizens in general.

A public library has been established and is open on Saturdays at the Demonstration Building. There is a very large membership, and a vast collection of the very best books are always obtainable as well as magazines of all kinds. The library is a very valuable asset to the town and as such its value is well evidenced by the many people who pass to and fro changing their books.

Two public buildings are yet badly needed and those are the Post Office, and Railway Station. We now have both, but neither one is of such outstanding importance as to properly justify prominent mention. However they answer the purpose and as all things come to those who wait, we shall have to be content with wait-

LAWRENCETOWN JUNIORS DEFEAT BERWICK JUNIORS

Lawrencetown.—On Friday last the junior teams of Berwick and Lawrencetown clashed on the local diamond. The boys from Berwick were conveyed here in cars and the game commenced at four o'clock. Snappy plays were featured throughout. Clark from Berwick making a very sensational double play at right field. The earlier part of the game witnessed some scragged playing, but after the third inning the boys got down to work and the brand of ball doled out of a very superior quality, and some idea of the merits and equality of the two teams can be taken from the fact that it was necessary to play ten innings before either side pulled ahead. Pa'frey for Lawrencetown, a brassy young short-stop, made the feature plays of the day while Brown's drives with men on bases showed up well. Elderkin for Berwick acquitted himself admirably as a pitcher, and made Morse the local's star twirler tighten up to the last notch. Shaffner the captain of the local's, is fast rounding his players into shape and the chances are that ere long the boys are going to prove what real ball is. The score at the end of the ninth inning stood five all when it was found necessary to go the extra inning. It was in this tenth inning that the locals put their heads together and nosed out, thus winning a hard fought game. The score stood at the end of the game 6-5 in favor of Lawrencetown. The batteries were: For Lawrencetown, Morse and Beals. For Berwick, Elderkin and Savage. L. S. Messenger behind the bat and Clark on bases handled the game in a manner satisfactory to both players and fans. Attendance about 75.

The town is particularly proud of her own sons who have gone forth in the world to follow their chosen vocations, but who nevertheless have never forgotten to return for their leisure hours. The town has sent forward people who are in every walk of life. There is a good representation at both Mt. Allison College, as well as Acadia.

There is one theatre in the town under the management of Mr. H. F. Sanford. It affords moving pictures for the movie fans and there are frequently Stock Companies travelling through. A dramatic club is organized every winter and serves to hold the young people together for the evenings and two or three months are thus spent in promoting and presenting dramas by wholly local talent.

The school system, although lacking proper accommodation for the pupils, makes up in that respect by the instructors we have in Lawrencetown for disseminating knowledge to the younger life. Mr. B. S. Banks who has been principal of the Lawrencetown school for many years past and who has always succeeded in putting the great majority of pupils through, is to be the teacher for the coming year and has associated with him all the staff of last year. Any and all pupils who have taken the high school work under Mr. Banks' tutelage and have been willing to learn, have never failed to make the most creditable showing when the time came.

The town has the characteristic distinction of being supplied with the purest supply of water obtainable, sufficient pressure being always available for combating the evils of fire. In this respect our town has been very luckily dealt with, a fire being a rare occurrence, thus showing that the utmost vigilance and caution is exercised. There is, however, a body of firemen always available for fighting the ravages, and this, coupled with the water system, affords the town excellent protection against fire.

Each and every person in the town should have the one point in view towards making one of the most prosperous and enterprising towns in the Province. We have what others have not,—and that is a splendid foundation upon which to work. With a little more enthusiasm shown by the people, and a little more support given to any public enterprise by the people who are well able to give it, we should be instrumental in giving Lawrencetown the position it actually should hold on the map, and ever keep uppermost in our minds that in order to have a wide awake town we must have wide awake people. We want people who will pull together. So lets all go, and help to make Lawrencetown bigger and better before it is too late.

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