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### "TOWN FATHERS"

What is most needed in every town is an intelligent administration of municipal affairs by town officers who know, and are competent to judge and manage its affairs with executive ability and discretion, and who are able to honestly tell the citizens what is best for the interests of the town.

The term "town fathers" should be of literal application, for to whom are the people to look for truth and guidance, if not from the guardians of their public welfare, to whom they give the confidence of their votes to act as their intelligent and discreet agents in municipal affairs?

Really it is a mighty serious question—this choosing of men to act in such responsible capacities, but more often, as results frequently show, public office is regarded merely as a breach in the wall of political intrenchment which the easiest and most available material will suffice to fill.

### THE HIGHWAY ACT

The amended road act has been introduced by Hon. Mr. Hazen. The changes in the act are numerous and important and give more control to the highway boards than did the original act.

While not materially changing the principle upon which it was passed, the amendments provide for a highway board of three in each parish of the province, two of whom shall be the councillors of the parish and the third an appointee of the government. The government's representative is to be secretary-treasurer of the board; the chairman is to be elected at their first meeting. In parishes where there are three councillors they are to meet and elect two of their number to serve on the board. The remuneration of councillors on highway boards is to be exemption from road taxes or at a rate to be fixed by the council, payable out of the funds of the board.

The amount to be levied is fixed at \$1.50 poll tax on all male residents between 21 and 60, and a property rate of 20 cents.

Statute labor may be performed at the option of individual ratepayers in any district, either by himself or a substitute satisfactory to the surveyor, at a rate to be fixed by the council. If no rate is so fixed, each man shall be paid at the rate of 12-2 cents an hour.

The allowance for a horse, cart and driver is twenty-two and a half cents an hour; for a team of horses, wagon and driver 30 cents an hour. The bill fixes the working day at eight hours.

The amount to be levied in any parish is not to exceed \$1.50 poll tax on all residents between the ages of 21 and 60 and one-fifth of one per cent. on the real and personal property and income of the parish.

The property of an unmarried female or widow up to \$500 is exempt.

The act contains special provisions for bringing it into operation during the present year. The highway board are to be called to meet on May 10 by the secretary-treasurer. The necessary machinery for making, levying and collecting the highway assessments in the present year is provided in the act.

The election yesterday brought out quite a large vote. Some new faces will be seen at the Council including the Mayor.

There was no contest for Aldermen in any of the wards. Charles Johnson who was nominated in Ward 1, withdrew.

The vote for Mayor stood:

C. Hazen McGee, 103.

Thos. R. Kent, 70.

The Aldermen declared elected were:

Ward 1—H. McKenzie, George Craig.

Ward 2—Jas. Bogue, Wm. Boyd.

Ward 3—E. A. Greason, H. V. Dewar.

Ward 4—J. Crickard, N. Meating.

### BY THE WAY

Vote and show political courage.

Eggs are getting cheap. All crows!

"The birds were singing in the morning."

The hats must be made smaller, or the doors larger.

The mills will come to the spruce if the spruce does not go to the mills.

It's a poor hen that won't make at least one enemy by visiting the neighbors gardens.

Never in the history of the commercial world has advertising occupied so dominant a place as it does today.

No sane man can believe that the Canadians will permit the deforestation of their timberlands without let or hindrance in order that certain American newspaper publishers may continue to sell their product below cost.—Boston Herald.

The peach basket hats now seen on the public highways are immensely entertaining. Instead of berating their wearers, those who like to be amused during their walks abroad should offer thanks for the freaks of fashion.

Victoria Times:—The earnings of the principal Canadian railways are increasing in a ratio greater than the growth of the Dominion revenue. The short business depression is evidently at an end. The year 1909 promises to be the most prosperous in the history of Canada.

A corps of forest experts from Canada and the United States have so planned the method of cutting trees in the section supplying lumber mills of Newfoundland, that a steady supply of logs is assured with a new "cut" every 40 years. Adopted years ago, this system would have saved short-lived boom towns and many forests. It is scientific lumbering.

Edmund Billings is a fortunate man. He went to Italy to distribute the big relief funds raised for the earthquake victims, drew a very nice salary, had all his expenses paid, and now when getting home receives everybody's enthusiastic greetings and thanks for the way he rounded up the work. The dinner in his honor at the City Club promises to be an enthusiastic time.—Boston Record.

Is the popularity Marathon runs, from the spectator's point of view, in any measure due to the ever-present possibility of seeing a contestant collapse and drop out? Those who have witnessed without personal interest these straggling processions of fagged men and boys will not question the statement in American Medicine that they tend to produce heart strain and acute dilation which may materially shorten life. The victor in the original Marathon race had a cause worth running for and dying for. Not so the youths who today seek to emulate the Marathon achievement.

### April

The bent grass swaying in scorning.

Of the bluebird's lightsome tread, And "bent" clouds wave a warning From the blue-gray overhead.

The crocus comes a-titling.

With her spear-joints two abreast, Each purple helmet stilling "Neath a tiny golden crest.

The pussy-willow's purring.

Wakened, "neath her downy cares, So not a catkin, stirring, Could be stolen unawares.

The brooklet, tired of toying.

With the tears trail clouds have shed, Is teasing and annoying Pearly pebbles in her bed.

All nature makes to striving:

Not a soul but feels the birth Of mirth and music riving.

The great heart of Mother of Earth.

—Margaret N. Goodnow.

Deacon Jones, the great man of a little village of Massachusetts, whose untimely death was the vociferous order, but whose charity toward his fellow men was not so abounding as it might have been, was dangerously ill, and his brother deacons, impressed with the custom of issuing bulletins from the sick room of prominent individuals, decided to follow the fashion with the following results:

"6 p. m. Deacon Jones is in a serious condition."

"7 p. m. Deacon Jones has rallied slightly."

"9 p. m. Deacon Jones has suffered a relapse."

"11 p. m. Deacon Jones has departed for heaven."

Thus the bulletins read at midnight, but early in the morning some unregenerate mortal who did not love the Deacon, evidently passed that way, for the light of a new day showed curious townspeople the later report:

"Heaven 7 a. m. Great consternation here. Deacon Jones has not arrived."

Woman's Home Companion for March.

### PERSONAL

Gratts Cook has moved his family to Buck Bay.

Miss Edith Wallace has returned from Sackville.

C. H. Fuller, took a trip to St. John last week.

John Connelly left on Monday for Nova Scotia.

Miss Julia Murray is visiting friends at Black's Harbor.

George McShane, Rolling Dam, was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. Giles of New River, is visiting Mrs. Howard Bailey.

D. R. Kennedy of St. John, is a guest at the Carlton House.

A. C. Gillmor and Fred Dewar, were in Eastport last week.

C. Hazen McGee came in on Tuesday's train from St. John.

Misses Annie and Clare O'Neill have returned from St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Moran, were in St. Stephen on Wednesday last.

Messrs. Martin and Wathan of the school staff spent Easter in St. John.

Edward McGrattan, spent a couple of days in the border towns last week.

Roy Sherard of Pembroke, Me., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sherard.

W. L. Harding, St. John, was here last week in the interests of Hatheway & Co.

C. H. Lynott of H. M. Customs, came in on the train from St. Stephen on Friday last.

Colin Swear of Kennedy's Hotel, St. Andrews, is spending a few days at his home here.

Mrs. John Berry and family left on Tuesday for Northfield, Vt., where they will reside.

Miss Sarah Connors who has been a guest of Miss Julia Murray, returned last week to Black's Harbor.

James McMaster who has been spending a few days here with his mother, returned to Fredericton Tuesday.

C. Hazen McGee left on Monday's train for St. John from which point he will start on a trip through the Provinces.

The marriage of Miss Florence Aileen McGee to Mr. Frederick Smith is announced to take place on Wednesday, 28th inst.

Harry Fraulev arrived Tuesday from Palm Beach, Florida. His many friends will be pleased to learn that he returns in good health.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Armstrong entertained a number of their friends on Thursday evening last at a whist. A sumptuous lunch of cake and ice cream was served during the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Harvey entertained a number of friends, who took them by surprise on Monday evening. Music and games and a nice lunch of ice cream and cake, made the evening a very pleasant one.

Robert King, recently terminal agent at St. John, has been appointed superintendent of the second district of the Atlantic division, which includes Mr. Adam and the Shore Line. Mr. King's border friends congratulate him upon his deserved promotion.

Granville Cawley who has been with the Bank of Nova Scotia here for the past year, left on Saturday for Jacquet River, where he will occupy another position in the bank. Mr. Cawley is a young man of ability and it is expected will make his mark in the banking world.

### CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Editor:—

I notice in your last issue that the "knockers" have opened the season.

They are frequently heard around the corners and stores, and when they want to make a great big hit they write a thrilling tale of someones neglect of public interests. Quite a scope was covered in the latest production, covering the affairs of the alms house to the smell of the mud flats. I presume, Mr. Editor, that every town has its critics, but this little hamlet can furnish more fault finders, growlers and all round trouble makers than any place of its size on the map. Now, if this little coterie of wise-acs will come out squarely and advocate genuine reforms, nominate men to carry out their ideas, go to the polls and vote for them, there may be an element of sincerity in their criticisms, otherwise they will continue to be a detriment to the interests of community. They see no good in anything, they hate themselves and everybody else. Go west and take up a prairie section, or vanish from the town. You will be surprised how well things will go along without the aid of your fault finding and your cheap eloquence.

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