

County Estimates Show Large Increase

The finance committee of the municipal council met yesterday at the office of the county secretary, J. King Kelly, and went over the estimates for the ensuing year. Councilor R. W. Wymore, chairman of the finance committee, was in the chair.

ESTIMATES 1918.

	1917.	Collected.	Expended.	1918.
St. John County Hospital	\$84,400.00	\$45,788.78	\$45,688.00	\$88,747.00
General Public Hospital	47,000.00			69,230.00
St. John Municipal Home	28,900.00	27,518.85	28,901.00	37,530.00
Maintenance	9,121.00	8,865.14	8,817.84	10,704.00
Local board of health	3,000.00	2,924.08		3,000.00
Valuation of the (cost)	16,072.00	15,273.83	14,448.92	16,072.00
City and county	6,698.00	6,516.51	4,725.00	6,698.00
County school fund	625.39	625.39	627.71	650.00
Interest and sinking fund	1,446.35	1,446.35	1,283.25	1,600.00
St. John Co. Hospital	1,200.00	1,176.69	1,016.54	1,250.00
Municipal Home third	259.82	259.82	259.82	259.82
series	650.00	650.41	609.40	650.00
Hospital loan	980.00	980.00	980.00	980.00
Hospital improvements	855.41	855.41	855.41	855.41
Jail debentures	280.00	280.00	280.00	280.00
Hospital re issue	145.00	145.00	145.00	145.00
Isolation (old)	683.12	683.12	683.12	683.12
Revisors	161.33	161.33	161.33	161.33
Interest and sinking fund	984.00	910.50	385.00	984.00
on Municipal H. lights				
Second Isolation Hos.				
Lancaster Special				
Lancaster police, fire dis-	1,000.00	943.84	758.68	1,000.00
trict				
Lancaster lights, fire dis-	1,480.00	1,488.47	1,165.50	2,200.00
trict				
Lancaster fire district, de-	800.00	472.10	500.00	800.00
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Lancaster fire district, de-	700.00	668.75	517.01	1,200.00
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Lancaster sewers and sink-				
ing fund district				
No. 1, and sewerage				
district on \$97,500, now				
\$102,000	\$5,502.00	\$5,201.88	\$5,538.48	\$7,000.00
Sheriffs	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,750.00	3,750.00
Turnkeys	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
Jail and court house	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Clerk of the peace	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
County secretary and	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
solicitor	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Treasurer	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Auditor	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Payroll clerks	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
Supern court marshals	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Bay Shore police	800.00	800.00	800.00	800.00
Office rent and vaults	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
Coroner's orders	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Lunacy warrants	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
Lunacy maintenance	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Printing, advertising and				
stationary	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
Mileage and indemnity	1,700.00	1,830.20	1,700.00	1,700.00
Repairs to county jail	600.00	595.04	600.00	600.00
Marriages and deaths	350.00	350.00	350.00	350.00
Fairville gates	400.00	440.34	440.34	440.34
Jail guards, set wages	1,500.00	74.42	2,500.00	2,500.00
Trial and witness fees	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Simonds police, set wages	1,100.00	881.54	1,100.00	1,100.00
Voters' lists	100.00	120.00	100.00	100.00
Unforeseen	8,006.89	3,006.39	4,200.00	4,200.00
County court stenographer				
Insurance	150.00 (\$84 due in 1918)	127.00	60.00	60.00
Boys' Industrial Home	2,500.00	1,295.80	2,500.00	2,500.00
Health officers	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Patriotic fund	21,073.00	15,600.47	21,073.00	21,073.00
Children's Aid Society	3,000.00	2,900.00	2,727.97	2,727.97
Children's Protection Act				
by Statute				
Evangeline Home		175.00		
M. H. for Girls		81.25	600.00	600.00
Slaves of Good Ship		106.25		

SEEK CONTROL OF LEGISLATURE

The Meat in The Cocoon Of Union Government For This Province

WATCH THE SCHEMERS

Some Reasons Why the People Should Be Very Much on the Alert—The Lessee of Recent Political History

(Daily Telegraph)

"The Standard is undoubtedly satisfied that if the present government were to go to the polls tomorrow it would fail to receive the endorsement of the people. On the other hand the new government would in all probability not have a majority in the House much greater than the present government enjoys. The Telegraph may and probably will deny this statement, etc.

The foregoing wisdom appeared yesterday in the editorial columns of the Standard, along with some other excited utterances so obviously designed to shift the issue as not to require discussion here at the moment. As there is no occasion calling for an appeal to the people by the present government, it seems unlikely that the Standard's prediction will be tested in the near future. But what "new government" is it that "in all probability would not have a majority in the House much greater than the present government enjoys"? Of just what gentlemen would this "new government" be composed? Would its most conspicuous figures be those who said lately, "I can't remember," or "I have a dim recollection," or "The man is dead now" or "He equalled like a stuck pig"? Or should we, in order to fill the cabinet, be forced to go back to previous investigations in which frailty of memory was equally in evidence? When we come to apply the cold test of practice to the Standard's assertions their folly and impudence are instantly revealed.

There are issues upon which it is vitally important to concentrate public attention from this time until after the Legislature has finished its business for 1918. These issues are of local, not merely St. John issues. And they are not only in a secondary sense political. They are of the nature of those which the whole question of honest administration in New Brunswick, they are provincial because only the Legislature can settle them; they are provincial because while they affect St. John first, the settlement of them will affect the whole province. These issues, in chief, are closely related to the number that of public utilities, that of the investigations of concealed transacting public money during the last eight years, and that created in general by the effort of discredited groups and their allies to chain control of the Legislature for their own purposes. If the old regime were in power, the Legislature—the regime which gave legislative birth and sanction to the N. B. Power Company and which sought to turn the public into a false sense of security by passing make-believe public utilities legislation—it is easy to guess how the Legislature or of the old cabinet discharged the duties of their offices.

For weeks past provincial politics has been preached quietly in this ear and in that. The Valley railway is by no means the only case demanding a searching inquiry. There are other matters of public business in connection with which New Brunswick should know clearly how members of the Legislature or of the old cabinet discharged the duties of their offices.

Coalition in provincial affairs looks like a hopeless enough enterprise, to be sure; but it has attractions for certain politicians who were deprived of power at an awkward and unexpected moment, and for interests like the power and public utilities group whose ship would come in if favorable legislative action were assured. Coalition would close some doors upon skeletons and open new doors of opportunity. It is natural that men to whom legislative favor or control is vital should flock together. They do so the more readily if they have been closely associated in earlier enterprises.

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It would mean a relapse into the old conditions that existed under Fleming and those upon whom his political mantle fell and who subsequently gave repeated proof of their confidence in him. The outstanding need of today is that the general public should understand the situation. Full knowledge and public understanding of these issues by the public and the Legislature must render them more scrupulous in their conduct and which are essentially inimical to the public welfare and a menace to the public treasury. Vigilance will be required many fold.

So much at the moment for coalition and the schemes that are hatched to it. A word more as to the public utilities case is one that permits of no hurried examination; yet all of the essential evidence must be in hand before the Legislature can deal justly and intelligently with it. The company is entitled to the most scrupulous fair play; so is St. John; so are those other New Brunswickers.

CREAM FOR CATARRH OPENS UP NOSTRILS

Tells How To Get Quick Relief from Head-Colds. It's Splendid!

In one minute your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, sniffling, blowing, headache, dizziness. No struggling for breath at night. Your cold or catarrh will be gone.

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Be Careful What You Wash Your Hair With

Don't use prepared shampoos or anything else, that contains too much alkali. This is very injurious, as it dries the scalp and makes the hair brittle. The best thing to use is just plain milled coconut oil. It is pure and entirely greaseless. It's very cheap, and beats the most expensive soaps or anything else all to pieces. You can get this at any drug store, and a few ounces will last the whole family for months.

Simply moisten the hair with water, rub in the oil, about a teaspoonful is all that is required. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, cleanses thoroughly, and rinses out easily. The hair dries quickly and evenly, and is soft, fresh looking, bright, fluffy, wavy, and easy to handle. Besides, it loosens and takes out every particle of dust, dirt and dandruff.

RHEUMATISM CURED

In the days of our fathers and grandfathers rheumatism was thought to be the unavoidable penalty of middle life and old age. Almost every elderly person had rheumatism, as well as many young people. Medical science did not understand the trouble—did not know that it was rooted in the blood. It was thought that rheumatism was the mere effect of exposure to cold and damp, and it was treated with liniments and hot applications, which sometimes gave temporary relief, but did not cure the trouble. In those days there were thousands of rheumatic cripples. Now, medical science understands that rheumatism is a disease of the blood, and that with good, rich, red blood any man or woman of any age can defy rheumatism, which can be cured by killing the poison in the blood which causes it. There are many elderly people who have never felt a twinge of rheumatism, and many who have conquered it by simply keeping their blood rich and pure. The blood making, blood enriching qualities of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is becoming every year more widely known, and it is the most general use of these pills that has robbed rheumatism of its terrors. At the first sign of poor blood, which is shown by loss of appetite, palpitations, dizziness, and dim eyes, protect yourself against the further ravages of disease by taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. They give you a fair trial they will not disappoint you.

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cities and towns in which public utilities are operated; so is the province at large, which does business with the telephone company.

The Power company's books are being examined by an auditor, who is admitted to the public with the full knowledge as to the company's proposed, its earnings on the actual cash invested, and the validity of its demands for permission to boost street car fares, light rates, and power prices to a new high level. The audit, naturally, will show what the new capitalization means and on what it is founded. And beyond such an audit, the public, the city, and the Canadian communities. With complete evidence in hand the issue could be simple enough. Without complete evidence—full and accurate as to every

SIR WILFRID LEADER

Ottawa, Jan. 9.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier will continue to lead the Liberal opposition in parliament for the coming session at least.

At the Liberal conference in Montreal on Monday and Tuesday last, it is understood that, although Sir Wilfrid made it clear that he was ready to retire whenever the way was clear, the unanimous opinion was expressed that his resignation could not be considered under present circumstances. Sir Wilfrid will, accordingly, remain in active public life, meeting the call of national service and the wishes of his followers.

There has been no real discussion among the Liberal leaders as to "the next man up." In parliament itself there is an undoubted paucity of choice among the English-speaking followers of Sir Wilfrid from whom to pick a "first lieutenant." The first problem of the opposition is to secure entry into parliament of two or three men from the English-speaking provinces around whom the Liberal party might again rally in preparation for the next election and the expected party realignment and readjustment. Both Mr. King and Hon. George P. Graham are wanted back in parliament behind Sir Wilfrid if a way can be found for their re-entry. It is also hoped that E. M. MacDonald may also continue in public life as Liberal leader east of Quebec while Hon. William Larn, premier of Saskatchewan, is mentioned as the prospective western leader of Liberalism with a possible federal leadership in view.

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BEAUTY DOCTOR TELLS SECRET

Detroit Beauty Doctor Gives Simple Recipe to Darken Gray Hair and Make It Soft and Glossy.

Miss Alice Whitney, a well-known beauty doctor of Detroit, Mich., recently gave out the following statement: "Any one can prepare a simple mixture at home, at very little cost, that will darken gray hair, and make it soft and glossy. To a half pint of water add 1 oz. of bay rum, a small box of Orleat Compound and 1-4 oz. of glycerine. These ingredients can be bought at any drug store at very little cost. Apply to the hair twice a week until the desired shade is obtained. This will make a gray-haired person look twenty years younger. It is not sticky or greasy and does not rub off."

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ITALY BARS IMPORTS

Rome, Jan. 6.—"Baseballs and bats are useless toys" is the dictum pronounced by the Italian customs authorities in placing a ban on the importation of these articles for Americans in Italy. Recently the Americans purchased the few baseballs available here and then ordered more from the United States. There also is a shortage of bats, not one in use being unbroken.

Thomas N. Page, the American ambassador, has been petitioned to procure an exemption of baseball equipment from the recent law against the importation of all luxuries or unnecessary articles. It is contended the game is necessary to maintain the health of the Americans.

At the annual meeting of the Bible Society of West St. John last evening, in the lecture room of St. Jude's church, with the president, Rev. W. H. Sampson, in the chair, the secretary, Enoch Thompson read the report of the auxiliary. The subscriptions were the largest in the history of the auxiliary. Rev. J. A. Morrison and Rev. E. A. Westmoreland delivered brief addresses.

Why Nine People Out of Ten Have Acid Stomach and Indigestion

Acts in Stomach That Sour and Ferment Your Food Should be Neutralized With a Little Magnesia to End Indigestion

"While there are many forms of stomach trouble," says a physician who has made a special study of stomach disorders, "I believe that fully 90 per cent. of these cases are traceable to the excessive secretion of hydrochloric acid in the stomach with consequent food fermentation, gas and delayed digestion."

The stomach needs a certain amount of acid for proper digestion but many people have an unnatural tendency to secrete more acid than their stomach requires. This excess acid makes all the trouble.

These stomachs are almost constantly in a state of sourness and ferment, extremely irritating and inflaming to the stomach lining and most everything they eat disagrees and turns to gas. No wonder we have so much so-called indigestion and dyspepsia.

An "acid stomach" should be neutralized or sweetened daily with some simple harmless anti-acid like bisulphated magnesia which, instead of merely artificially digesting the acid food, as do so many peppin pills and digestive acids, counteracts or changes the acid, soothes and heals the sore inflamed stomach and permits normal healthy digestion without pain or trouble of any kind.

I say bisulphated magnesia because I regard this as the best form in which magnesia can be used for stomach purposes. A few ounces of the powder or a small package of 5-grain tablets can be obtained at any drug store and will convert almost any stomach sufferer into forever discarding all digestive acids and relying entirely on bisulphated magnesia to keep his stomach free from dangerous gas and acids and the pains of indigestion. Bisulphated Magnesia is not a laxative and may be freely taken either before or after meals.

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