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AFFAIRS

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You may fool some of the people all the time, you may fool all the people part of the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time. Our city fathers are showing a lamentable amount of lethargy and apathy at the present time towards the many openings there are for strong action, that would tend to the best interests of a community which we trust will rise to a high plane in the provinces and be looked up to with pride by all the inhabitants of New Brunswick. We have shown an example of determination and perseverance in the rebuilding of our town, an example which might well be copied by other cities in Canada, and because of this and owing to the fact that the eyes of many are upon us, we say, "Awake! awake!"

Many and varied are the problems which engross the attention of our civic rulers, for which we are all willing to make allowances, but the conditions which now obtain in Campbellton are most pernicious in their influence against the best interests of our growing town, and the ratepayers now desire these conditions rectified by a little more action and less talk, deeds and not resolutions only, enforcement of By-Laws and less reference to them. We seem to have looked in vain for the council to make a move towards the upholding of its own laws, and although it is perfectly true that any ratepayer can take action against any person infringing the By-Laws, we can only ask where does the Council stand in this matter? If we as ratepayers are to see to the enforcing of these legal enactments which govern the town, there is no necessity for us to place the reins of government in the hands of the Council for those who pay the piper are entitled to the tune. And we are paying for it. What answer can the Council give us regarding the promised legislation affecting the taxation of real estate? Before beginning our buildings we were promised that this exemption was going through the House at Fredericton, and only the land would be taxed. Under this promise many of us have built and are building large and costly places and if these are to be assessed for taxation purposes it means that the assessable value of the town is being raised by dishonest methods. What the public want to know is, was this legislation dropped? If so, why has there been no report given regarding it? Why are we kept in the dark regarding this and many other things? It is only right that the public should have the entire confidence of its rulers, and no good ever comes of trying to play hide-and-seek with promises given to the people.

Another point is that with great acclamation the Council greeted an injunction clause to be tacked on to the By-Laws giving power to restrain any person from building in defiance of the By-Laws. This has also proved a fizzle for before any injunctions can be granted, the town will require to go to St. John to get the necessary papers, and all the shacks in Campbellton could be built before a writ of restraint could be issued. Still another point: Some time ago petitions were presented from two Churches asking permission to build in wood. The By-Laws make no allowance for exempting any building and the Council have no power to grant exemption, yet nothing has been done with these petitions and in the meantime the churches are going on with preparations for building without permit or authority of any kind.

These things may be embarrassing in a slight degree but we have every confidence that the Council is quite able to remedy these matters once they are brought to their notice. Many more points could be raised but we believe everything will yet be cleared up, and we can only say to the Council, Gentlemen you have all the backing you want. Go ahead.

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The news that Queen Alexandra will be absent from the coronation will give the United States scandal editors a chance to take up a domestic disagreement in the royal family

CAMPBELLTON NOTES

The invitation of Rev. Dr. Shearer of Toronto, the Rev. T. P. Drumm will take part early in June, in large evangelical services to be held in St. John.

TO ARRIVE

One bbl. Columbus batteries particularly adapted to motor boat and automobiles, Lellen Foundry Machine Works.

Dr. Pinault nearly lost his auto the other day by fire, but Bill Noble was on the job, as per the lines in "The Fire at Campbellton," consequently there was just a little paint and a tire burned.

Campbellton is hard to beat at anything. Shortly before the storm broke on Sunday the thermometer at a spot in Vin—I mean Ward III, registered 90 in the shade. Gee! it was warm.

Victoria Day saw a large crowd taking advantage of the trip to St. Leonard's, per the International Railway. We don't know half the beauties of our county and of the beauties to be seen from an I. N. R. train.

The Merchants and Clerks Association has been asleep for sometime, but we hear whispers that it is likely to awaken soon. Perhaps it was only a yawn we heard, but it was certainly something like "early closing."

Rev. Mr. Schurman preached in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday. A large audience listened to the Rev. gentleman, who gave a stirring discourse. Mr. Schurman, as before stated will leave shortly to take up his duties at Bear River, N. S.

In getting out the plans for the new Power Station, would it not be well to look into the matter of placing the buildings at the Eastern side, leaving us the only strip of beach we have in this end of the town. We can't always go away to Tite Head to get down to the river.

The sailing vessel "Woodburn" is in port. It might interest our readers to know that the first ship "Woodburn" was dismantled in a gale in the Indian Ocean and towed to Bombay. The new masts were made and ready to be shipped when word was received that the hull had been condemned. The masts were therefore placed in the hull of a vessel then building on the Clyde and the ship named the Woodburn.

Have you heard any fish since the 24th? We trust the future reading has had the desired effect.

The Military Contingent for the Coronation will sail from Quebec on the 2nd of June and return from our festivities on the 7th July. They will be well looked after by the...

Sergt. Ch... was given Bean Sup... members of the Intern... ball Club. The boys had... and wished Charlie all sorts his first trip to the old country

While we in the East are enjoying summer weather, press reports tell of a heavy fall of snow in Southern Alberta. This is the same spot which is called "Sunny Alberta." The Restigouche is good enough for us.

As a matter of public safety, is it right that so much inflammable material should be exposed in Ward III? A number of barrels of oil and gasoline are lying in the open up there and constitute an enormous source of danger.

We understand the prisoners sent down to Dalhousie would not change places with anyone. They have all the liberty and privilege to go about in the streets as they please, and look on the prison as a dandy boarding house. Seriously there is something wrong in our penal system.

Ward III certainly gets all that is coming to it. In the height of the storm on Sunday a building was struck by lightning, doing considerable damage to the chimney and walls and destroying an iron bedstead. One of the children in the house had been removed from the bed very shortly before it was struck.

Dr. McNichol wishes to announce to his patient's, that he is now ready for business in his new suite of offices upstairs in the McRae block. May 26-27ins.

Mr. John Riddell, formerly of Campbellton, is taking a course in Science at Toronto. His friends are pleased to hear that he has passed his second year examination with honors. This is the second time he has taken honors. Mr Riddell is now out on a surveying party in Sault Ste. Marie.



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