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### In the Municipal Council

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#### Auditors' Report.

To the Wardens and Councillors of the Municipality of Annapolis County: Gentlemen—We, the undersigned auditors, have examined the books and accounts of the treasurer for the year ending December 31st, 1911, we have checked the vouchers, balanced the cash and certified all cheques issued and deposited made, and find them correct in every particular and to agree with the following statement:

LIABILITIES.	
Bills unpaid from 1888 to 1906	\$ 164.66
Bills unpaid from 1907 to 1910	35.50
Bills unpaid for 1911	385.75
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 585.91</b>

Forest Protection Services paid \$1533.54

RECEIPTS.  
Balance from 1910 \$203.36  
Received from Fire Tax 675.82

Balance Dr. \$879.18

Contingent Account: Expenses \$1107.71  
Receipts 304.59

Balance Dr. 803.12

ASSETS

Due from Ward Collectors 1910 \$88.04  
Due from Ward Collectors 1911 758.39

Total \$846.43

General Account: Cash on hand \$1614.19  
Sinking Fund: Cash and Bonds \$6600.14

Total \$2214.63

With the exception of the Forest Protection Service, the above must be much more satisfactory than year ago. The liabilities are less and the rates have been looked after more diligently, apparently, than heretofore, for which the rate collectors are to be commended.

The methodical manner in which the books are kept, shows yours to be an efficient officer. All of which respectfully submitted.

H. M. HARRIS,  
FRED L. SHAFFNER  
Auditors.

Ordered that the Treasurer's report as read be received and adopted. The following is the report:—

Ordered that the report of the Scott Act Inspector as read be received and adopted. Following is the report:—

Moved by Councillor Armstrong, seconded by Councillor Outhit that the services of John Hall as Scott Act Inspector for this Municipality be continued another year.

Moved in amendment that Elias Messenger be the Scott Act Inspector for this Municipality for the ensuing year.

The Council called for election by ballot. The ballot being taken resulted in a tie and no one was therefore declared elected. A second ballot also resulted in a tie, eight votes for Hall and eight for Messenger.

Ordered that F.L. Shaffner of Middleton and H.M. Harris, of Margartville be the auditors for the ensuing year.

On motion the Council adjourned until nine o'clock a.m. Wednesday morning.

#### WEDNESDAY MORNING

Council met at nine o'clock, Warden in the chair. All Councillors present. Minutes of previous session read and approved.

The report of Statute Labor Committee was then read and on motion received and adopted. The following is the report:—

#### REPORT OF STATUTE LABOR RETURNS.

Your committee on Statute Labor Returns, report as follows:—Upon examining carefully the returns placed in our hands, we find that some of the returns are not in, but those that are in we find the work has been done very satisfactorily in the various wards.

(Signed)  
ELIAS RAWDING  
F. B. GILLIS  
A. STANLEY BROWN

Ordered that the Standing Committee for 1911 be the Standing Committee for 1912.

Ordered that George Adams be bridge tender for Victoria Bridge Ward 5 for the year 1912.

Ordered that Freeman Fitch, Wm. Armstrong and C. W. Mills be the Committee on Ferry Slips for this Municipality.

Ordered that Judge Owen be heard. The Judge then addressed the Council claiming that as the Registrar of Probate's Office had recently been moved into his office, the Registrar of Probate being ill and he having provided superior accommodation for these wishing Probate business that an allowance be made for rent an keep of said Probate Office.

Ordered that the matter referred to by Judge Owen be referred to the Committee on Tenders and Public Property.

Ordered that Minard Bent be funded \$8.25 taxes paid twice.

Sponagle were nominated for Health Officers for this Municipality. (Continued on page 8)

#### Civic Elections

The civic elections for Mayor and three Councillors took place yesterday. The retiring councillors, W. H. Burns, E. A. Craig and C. F. Tupper not offering for re-nomination, four new candidates were put in the field. Mayor Harlow and Ex-Mayor W. J. Hoyt ran a close contest, Mayor Harlow winning by twelve votes, two less than the number by which he defeated the same opponent last year.

Capt. J. W. Salter headed the poll for Councillor with W. E. Read and J. K. Craig not far behind. The business interests of the town are strongly represented in the present council which augurs well for a business-like administration of the town's interests. Doubtless the good work begun in street improvement will continue under the most economical and business-like methods practicable.

The office of Mayor or Councillor is in many respects a thankless one and the more progressive the administration usually the more criticism it brings upon itself. While this may often appear like ingratitude and personal hostility, it usually springs from the praise-worthy attitude of a recognition of the people's rights to a full knowledge of what their representatives are undertaking to do and their manner of doing it.

Any town that does not require the fullest publicity as to the spending of the rate-payers' money is not active to its own interests and will soon become a "dead town." Were this fact not generally recognized it would be difficult to find good men willing to be set up as a target for criticism, as it were.

When a man accepts a civic office he takes upon himself an oath of office to administer the affairs of the town in a just and impartial manner. If he fails in this obligation, errors of judgement should not be criticized without regard to the motive lying behind the action.

One of the most difficult obligations with which any town council has to deal is the temperance question. There is no town which does not require the most careful and judicious administration in this respect. While Bridgetown has been fairly well governed in this respect, we must admit there is still room for improvement and shall expect the honored citizens who compose the Council to have especial regard for the just administration of the temperance laws in the coming year.

Following is the result of the poll:—  
For Mayor—  
D. G. Harlow 98  
F. J. Hoyt 86  
For Councillors—  
J. W. Salter 123  
W. E. Read 119  
J. K. Craig 101  
E. C. Hall 93

#### Belleisle

Belleisle, Feb. 6th.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Nichols of Aylsford are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Israel T. Parker.

Mrs. Wallace Covert, of Port Ward is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.W.D. Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Bent and Miss Jessie Willett, who have for the past few weeks been visiting relatives in Boston and vicinity returned home last week.

Mr. Hiram Young entertained a large party of friends at a dance in the hall on Thursday evening, Feb. 1st. A very enjoyable evening was spent in "tripping the light fantastic" Mitchell's orchestra furnished the music.

Miss Mary Clements of New Glasgow is the guest of her aunt, Miss Eliza Wade for a few weeks.

The congregation of the Church of St. Mary held their annual "at home" in the Hall on Saturday evening last. The ladies had prepared, and at seven o'clock served a sumptuous and inviting tea, to which the whole company sat down, after a blessing had been invoked by the Rector. A very humorous and laughable programme had previously been arranged by the choir under the direction of Mrs. Lyle, the organist. The different parts were finely rendered. The most laughable part that brought down the house was the "Ol' fashioned singing school," taught by Mr. Seth L. Gesner, the most amusing ever played in the Hall.

Mrs. Ernest W. Ray, who has been for some weeks in the United States, came home on Saturday.

Does any person know if the Council met on the 9th of January?

#### Valley Medical Society Presents Address to Dr. DeBlois

At the session of the Valley Medical Society held at the St. James' Hotel last Wednesday the following medical gentlemen were present:—

- Dr. Sponagle, President
- Comer, Secy.
- G. E. Davitt, Belleville
- Morris, Port Williams
- Morris, Kentville
- McKinnon, Bridgetown
- Daleon, Annapolis
- Read, Digby
- Mora, Berwick
- MacDonald, Methuen
- Morse, Lawrencetown
- Young, Lawrencetown

Dr. DeBlois was presented with an address in honor of his fifty years of practice. Dr. Robinson, who was to have been honored in the same manner, was unable to be present. The general program as given in last issue of the Monitor was followed, with a banquet in Host Neily's best style.

Following is the address:—

#### ADDRESS TO DR. L.G. DEBLOIS

WHEREAS, in the fulness of time the life and career of men conspicuous for unselfish devotion to duty becomes the common property of all, and the subject of pride to those with whom they may be connected by reason of friendship, respect and love whose work has impressed not only those of their own profession—the brother practitioners with whom they consulted and commended, but the entire community where they have lived and labored so successfully and unselfishly during the last fifty years.

Half and hearty is the ripeness of years with his reputation unshaken and with the esteem of his medical associates stands Louis G. DeBlois, M.D., College Physicians and Surgeons New York, 1861, of Bridgetown.

We, his friends and admirers, the Valley Medical Society brethren of the same profession, bring to him our felicitations at this time—the completion of more than fifty years of active practice.

We entertain for him that respect and esteem which has been engendered by his many estimable qualities and desire to present to him this resolution, as an expression of our enduring appreciation, with the hope that the memories of our intercourse and occasional meetings may ever linger with him and that he may remain with us a long time to come and live to witness similar resolutions, for a half century's service given to all those who now delight in offering this to him.

The above resolution was moved by Dr. M. E. Armstrong, Bridgetown and seconded by Dr. G. E. DeWitt, Wolfville, signed by officers and members present at the mid-winter session of the Valley Medical Society held at Bridgetown, Jan. 31st, 1912.

#### Children's Fancy Dress Carnival

The Children's Carnival came off on Friday evening last at the Bridgetown Skating Rink and was a charming success, the costumes of the little sisters being remarkably attractive. In fact it was difficult for the judges to decide between some of the costumes. The prize of \$1.00 each for best girl and boy costume was awarded to Juanita Bishop, as "Queen of the Gypsies" and Gerald Hoyt as "Little Boy Blue". The management also awarded two extra prizes, one to Ruth Burns as "Crimson Heart" and to Alex. Fowler as "Chanticleer".

The race between the contestants for the championship of the half-mile race, between Ruth Burns and George DeCromm was a close one. On the last lap Burns, who was in the lead, had the misfortune to fall and DeCromm passed her winning the goal.

Following is the list of skaters in costume:—  
Jean Messenger—Valentine  
Josie Mitchell—Hockey Girl  
Eina Price—Japanese girl  
Muriel Troop—Hockey girl  
Juanita Bishop—Queen of the Gypsies  
Kathleen Craig, and Ethel Craig, Twin Flower Girls  
Ruby Hamilton—Christmas Bells  
Florence Bent—Creeping poppies  
Emeline Dickie—Japanese girl  
Ruth Fowler—Valentine  
Ruth Burns—Crimson Heart  
Donald Messenger—Highland laddie  
Gerald Hoyt—Little Boy Blue  
Kenneth Dickie—Betsy Boilt  
Noble Crowe—Boy Scout  
Jaez Mitchell—Chimney Sweep  
Brinton Hall—Clown  
Clax Fowler—Chanticleer  
Ociel DeCromm—Boy Blue

#### A Word to Lunenburg Farmers

The Nova Scotia Farmers' Association was in session in Yarmouth last week. A glance at the program leaves no one in doubt as to why the meetings were so attractive and so well attended. It is about time that something woke up to the fact that farming is almost as important as fishing in this country and to strive to get large audiences at the meetings and conventions here, so that the very important facts taught there, so necessary to the welfare of stock and crops may be brought out. It is the intention of this paper to wage war on "doctors" who treat poor suffering animals with methods that years ago would have caused said cow doctors to be burned as witches the most pity that that method has gone out of fashion. "What is everybody's business is nobody's business," and men in this county who would not willingly hurt a kitten, are aware that poor dumb brutes are tortured with "worm in the tail" and other devilish treatment for "hollow horn," and names suggested by superstition, legendary nonsense and ignorance, when the animals are really suffering from parturient fever, tuberculosis and other ills to which their flesh is heir. To illustrate, a cow will show symptoms of some sort of illness, and at once a wisecrack will convey learnedly about "worm in the tail." A slit's cut in the poor beast's tail, salt and vinegar are put in the wound and results are awaited. Nothing doing. More prodding and punching, and the discovery is made that the horns are cold; a gimlet is brought and holes are bored, and some holy mixture is poured into the horns. She doesn't cheer her cud at once some other poor creature must sacrifice a cud. And so on the list of tricks the poor beast is put through would trim a monkey cage to a finish. Finally the animal dies, or sometimes recovers in spite of, not because of such treatment. It is time that the farmers of this county awoke from their lethargy, subscribed for some of the very excellent farm magazines to be obtained, and also contributed to a fund to bring lecturers here to expound the old-fashioned, torturous methods of curing sick animals, and to inculcate methods by which the splendid farms of this county, wrung from the forests and rocks by the sturdy German pioneers, may be made to do the work for which they were intended, and Lunenburg may be second to none as a farming county in the maritime provinces.—Lunenburg Sentinel

#### No Vaccination, No School Seat

A New York Father Loses \$10,000 Suit for Barring His Child.

New York, Jan. 1.—Herbert Thorpe, a United States custom House employee, living at Annapolis, Staten Island, who brought suit against the Board of Education for \$10,000 for preventing his nine-year-old daughter, Jessie, from receiving an education in the public schools because he would not permit her to be vaccinated, lost his case in the Richmond County Supreme Court yesterday afternoon.

Justice Clark dismissed the action after the plaintiff had rested his case. Councillor Weintger represented Thorpe, while assistant Corporation John Widdicombe looked after the interest of the Board of Education. The courtroom was crowded with persons from all parts of Greater New York who are opposed to vaccination.

Through the dismissal of the case Thorpe must either permit his child to be vaccinated and sent to the public school or guarantee to give her an education at his home equal to one which she would receive in the public school.

In the failure of complying with either of these requirements he will be held to court and fined under the compulsory educational law.

#### Big Sugar Refinery Destroyed.

One Man Missing and Thought to Be in the Ruins of Woodside Plant—Vast Quantities of Raw and Refined Sugars Burnt—I.C.R. Cars Licked up—Loss Well Insured.

Halifax, Feb. 1.—The woodside plant of the Acadia Sugar Refining Company, located on the Dartmouth side of the harbor, was totally destroyed by fire this evening with a loss of considerably over \$1,000,000. The insurance, it is said, will cover the loss and there is not a company here but what is interested.

The fire started in a large wooden warehouse on the waterfront, where 10,000 barrels of sugar were stored. This was swept away and with amazing velocity the fire shot to the seven-story brick structure across the railway track, which is the refinery proper. This was soon enveloped by the fire and some of the workmen had difficulty in escaping with their lives. Many of them engaged in the rooms got out with practically no clothing, and one man, Hensberry who is missing, is reported to have perished.

The steamers Aurora of the Pickford & Black Line had been at the wharf discharging raw sugar for three days. She was pulled out, but the sugar she had discharged was burned. Besides the refined sugar destroyed more than 25,000 bags of raw is gone. A number of loaded I.C.R. cars were on the siding but no engine could be obtained quick enough and they were burned.

At ten o'clock everything was gone of the splendid plant, which is the largest of the two owned of the Acadia Sugar Refining Company, except the boiler house and there was a slight chance of saving that.

The fire departments of Dartmouth and Halifax could do nothing to fight the fire, the plant being nearly three miles out of town and isolated. The company is one of Nova Scotia's most prosperous industries, a considerable portion of the capital stock being held in New Glasgow.

#### OLD AND ONLY IN THE WAY.

(Published by request.)  
As we walk down the street  
Oh, how often do we meet  
Some poor old man whose life  
Might but be woe;  
With age his form is bent,  
In his pocket not a cent  
And for home he hasn't anywhere  
to go.  
Chorus:—  
Let us cheer him on the way,  
For he can't be with us long.  
Don't sneer at him because he's old  
and gray;  
But remember while you're young  
That the day to you will come  
When you're old and only in the way  
He's relations by the score.  
They have turned him from the door  
They meet him in the street and pass  
him by;  
You may ask him why its done,  
He will answer you and say  
"I'm old and only in the way."  
Take the poor old wreck of toil,  
His children do him spurn,  
For death I'm sure he often-tim  
does pray,  
Himself and faithful wife  
After toiling all their life,  
Find they're old and only in the way  
Now this little song I'm sure  
Is for rich as well as poor.  
For a rich man, when he's growing  
very old;  
Friends grasp him by the hand  
And relations round him stand.  
And wait the final hour—They want  
his gold. E. S.

#### LEARN TO LIVE.

It is not good for a man to devote himself wholly to preparation for dying. It is preparation for living that we need.—Phillips Brooks.

#### A Little Good Cheer.

Do you ever smile a friendly little smile?  
If you do, I'm sure you find it worth your while.  
For it sweetens many a task,  
In a sunny smile to hark,  
And it makes a league seem shorter  
than a mile.  
Do you ever laugh a jolly little laugh?  
You'll find it will reduce your woe,  
By half.  
Its catching like the mumps,  
And will cure a case of dumps,  
For it blows away the bluest blues,  
like chaf.  
Do you ever sing a cherry little song  
No matter if the notes are sometimes  
wrong.  
'Tis the tinkle and the trill,  
That are panacea for ill,  
And that help the tired folks to keep  
along.  
O, smile and laugh and sing, dear,  
dear friend;  
Don't believe that troubles never have  
an end.  
If a day seems torn and frayed,  
Seek this merry trio's aid,  
And many a ragged rent they'll help  
to mend.  
Man's birth is a lottery; it may be  
in the pleasant home of ease and influence,  
or in the hut of poverty; in either case it may be a stain or an honor. If he is born in poverty, and his future life throws a lustre over only his great, but his name will stand higher on the roll of honor and virtue than he who can only boast of his proud descent.—James Ellis.

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