

NEGLECT TO MAKE STATEMENT TO VALUATORS MEANS FINE OF \$10 FOR EVERY DAY NEGLECTED

Municipal Council Committee Amends Drastic Bill But Brings City Residents Under Workings of Summary Convictions Act if They Fail to Make Statements Demanded by County Board—Commissioner Wigmore's Proposal to Have Workmen Taxed Only in Place Where They Reside Also Sent to Legislature.

Thursday, Feb. 18. At the meeting of the general committee of the municipal council, held quietly in the county court house, with Councilor Dean in the chair yesterday afternoon, the legislation committee adopted for submission to the legislature the famous bill to give the county court of valuations summary powers to commit residents of the city to jail on failing to make a statement of their income and property. This bill was amended to impose a fine of \$10 a day for every day the statement was neglected after the first day of the month in which the statement is due. The bill also provides for the power of the court in committing citizens to jail for ninety days in the event of the fine remaining unpaid within a reasonable time, the ratepayer can be sent to jail under the provisions of the Summary Convictions Act.

Another interesting piece of legislation was the adoption of Councilor Wigmore's motion to ask authority to tax city residents working in the county, and vice versa in the place where they reside, irrespective of where they are employed. The bill for exemption of the city's standpipes and reservoir in Lancaster was adopted, with an amendment that the present reservoir, now taxed at \$10,000 by the county, will not be exempted until the completion of the stand pipe, when the stand pipe and reservoir will be exempted.

Although the meeting was called the committee of the whole, Councilor Dean, chairman of the bills and by-laws committee, was in the chair. Warden McLellan had a place on the floor. There was a full meeting of the council with the exception of Councilor Frink, who was out of the city.

Nearly three hours were spent in the discussion of the bills, but there were no marked divisions and the important measures were sent up to the legislature without a standing vote.

The Valuers Bill. The bill relating to the board of valuers, as originally drawn, and with the exception of section 6, adopted yesterday, read as follows: Section 1. The valuers for the city and county of St. John may secure and are hereby empowered to obtain such other information as they may deem necessary in making their valuations of all real estate, personal property and income of every person within the city and county of St. John and of all persons who work in the city from taxation in addition to the information in sections 4 and 5 of section 4 as they may deem proper.

OBITUARY

Thomas Hill. Tuesday, Feb. 16. Thomas Hill, a native of Belfast, Ireland, who had been a resident of St. John since 1859, died at the home of his son, Thomas S. Hill, Fairville, N. B., at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. He was seventy-nine years of age and had resided several years ago. He was formerly a member of Verner Lodge, No. 1, L. O. L. He is survived by his son, Thomas S., now engineer of the River Glade Sanitarium.

William Conrad. Tuesday, Feb. 16. After an illness lasting only about two weeks, Jacob J. Seely died yesterday at his home, 86 Mount Pleasant avenue. He was a native of Lower Norton, Kings County, but came to St. John when a young man and had since resided here following his business as accountant, in which he was expert. Mr. Seely, who enjoyed the esteem of many friends, was seventy-four years of age, and besides his wife is survived by two sons, Don, in the office of the Maritime Dressing Co., and Percy, city traveler with W. H. Thorne & Co., while there are also three daughters, Mrs. George W. Hoyt, of Sussex, and Mrs. J. R. Hunter and Miss Hazel R. Seely, at home.

Mrs. Margaret Maloney. Woodstock, Feb. 16.—Mrs. Margaret Maloney, a highly respected resident, died on Sunday evening after a short illness of heart trouble in the 74th year of her age. She is survived by three sons, John P., of the Press Publishing Co.; William John, of George and three daughters, Mrs. Octave Lavoie, Mary and Margaret, all of this town. The funeral will be held Tuesday.

George J. Raymond. Boston, Feb. 15.—George J. Raymond, proprietor of the Raymond Syndicate, a men's furnishing store on Washington street, originator of the phrase "Sold out

worked in his father's barber shop in Main street, but when the latter went to live in Montreal he went with him. He was a son of Thomas McMaster and was thirty-eight years of age. He seemed to mourn besides his mother and father, one brother, George, in Montpelier (Ont.), and one sister, Mrs. O. M. Barton, in Montreal. He seemed to regret to learn of the death. Mr. McMaster was very popular about the city.

William Armstrong. James Armstrong, of Barnesville, passed peacefully away at an early hour Tuesday morning, Feb. 16, at the age of 71 years. He leaves a wife, three daughters and seven sons to mourn. The daughters are Mrs. George Varnum, Banes Corner; Mrs. Alice Wadsworth, and Mrs. David M. Flynn, of Barnesville. The sons are, John, Joseph and William, of St. John; James, of Barnesville; and Fred, Robert and George, at home.

Mrs. K. M. Titus. Mrs. Rebecca M. Titus, widow of Rev. James W. Titus, died at her home, 100 St. John street, at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. May Gifford of this city, and four brothers, James, William, Frederick and George, all of this city, also two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Durkee, of Alma (Cal.), and Mrs. M. E. McDonald, of Seattle.

E. J. Quirk. News reached the city yesterday telling of the death of Edward J. Quirk, Monday in the General Hospital, Moose Jaw (Sask.). He was the son of Mrs. L. W. McGrath, of St. Patrick street, and besides his mother he is survived by one brother, John, of Winnipeg, two half-brothers, William and Peter, and a half-sister, Miss Florence McGrath.

John Stewart Hall. The death occurred yesterday, at his residence, 160 King street east, after a brief illness, of Major John Stewart Hall, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens in the community. He is survived by five daughters, who will have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement.

Major Hall had been three months in the military life of the city for many years, having for years been an active member of the Grand regiment.

He was born at Guernsey ninety-three years ago and from his boyhood was connected with the military service. He served as bugler at the time of the coronation of the late Queen Victoria.

Major Hall was the last surviving captain of the militia which went to Campobello from St. John at the time of the Fenian raid. Charles Campbell, who died recently, was first captain of a company at Campobello.

Major Hall was a member of the Masonic and Orange orders and attended Trinity church.

Mrs. William Logue. Oromocto, Feb. 18.—The funeral of Mrs. William Logue took place Saturday morning from her late residence, Upper Burton street, a large concourse of people followed the body to St. Vincent de Paul's church, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Ryan.

Mrs. Logue was the widow of a prominent citizen of St. John, who died in 1870. She was a member of the St. John's Guild and was very active in its work.

The funeral services were held at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Logue, Upper Burton street. The Rev. Father Ryan officiated and the burial took place in the St. Vincent de Paul cemetery.

John King. The death of John King took place on Wednesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. G. Cameron, Dunwick (Ont.), after an illness of nine days with paralysis. The deceased had reached the age of 82 years and was in his usual good health until suddenly stricken with his fatal illness.

He was born in the East Scotch Settlement, Kings county (N. B.), and lived there until seven years ago, when he sold his farm and moved to Ontario. He was closely connected with the Presbyterian church both as an elder and in the Sunday school. He was the last surviving member of a family of four brothers and two sisters. His wife survives him. He leaves also one daughter, Mrs. Frederick A. Lumberg, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Arthur and Donald E. King, of Hartford (Conn.), and Lewis J. King, of Vancouver.

The funeral took place on Saturday to Black's cemetery and was well attended. The service was conducted by Rev. D. Kelso, the bearers being Peter Grog, Donald Cameron, L. E. Cameron, James McKellar, W. H. Ford and J. C. Campbell.

David Marney. Thursday, Feb. 18. The death of David Marney aged eighty-three years, occurred yesterday morning at his home, Beaver Lake, after an illness of about a month. In his younger days he was engaged in the ship-building trade.

Mr. Marney is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters. The sons are Frank and Calvin, of this city, and David of Portmouth (Me.), while Mrs. Mary Beckwith of Lawrence (Mass), and Mrs. Thomas McCrackin of this city, are the daughters. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon.

T. E. Moran. Thursday, Feb. 18. The death of Thomas E. Moran, aged fifty-five years, occurred yesterday morning at his residence, 170 Pitt street. He is survived by his wife, two sons and one daughter. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock, from his late residence, 170 Pitt street, to the St. John's Baptist church for high mass of requiem.

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WEDDINGS

Fowler-Daly. A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Wellington B. Fowler, Welsford, Queens Co. (N. B.), when his second daughter, Helena Gladys, became the wife of Ernest Irvine Daly, Fair View, St. Martins (N. B.). Rev. David Jenkins, rector, officiated. The young couple were unattended. The bride, who looked charmingly gowned in white silk, entered the parlor leaning on the arm of her father, whilst the wedding march was played by Miss Muriel Fowler, the bride's sister. The bride was given away by her father. After the ceremony all sat down to the wedding breakfast. The young couple left on the Boston train. They will reside at St. Martins. The bride's going away dress was of brown whipcord with hat to match. The presents were very nice and useful.

Carpenter-Sherwood. A quiet wedding was celebrated on Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, at the home of the officiating clergyman, Rev. E. S. Porter, when James Wendell Carpenter, 1014 St. John street, was united in marriage to Miss Hazel L. Sherwood, of Model Farm, Kings county. Only immediate friends of the couple were present.

Porter-Matthewson. (Montreal Herald, Saturday). Miss Winifred Matthewson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Matthewson, St. Fancille street, is being married at 5 o'clock this afternoon, very quietly, in the Methodist church, to the Rev. J. G. Porter, of St. John (N. B.), son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Porter. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. A. J. G. Porter, who will be given away by her father, and will wear a white satin gown and a lace veil, which had been worn by her grandmother. She will be accompanied by her father and the value of a small reception will afterwards be held, and later Mr. Porter and his bride will go for a short wedding trip, as Mr. Porter is leaving with the second class of the Montreal, Tuesday, Feb. 18, for his home in Montreal. The bride is a B. Sc. of McGill University.

Lewter-Kay. A very pretty wedding took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Kay, River Glade (N. B.), Wednesday evening, Feb. 10, 1915, when their eldest daughter, Letitia May, was united in marriage to William Lewis Lewter, of Moncton (N. B.). The bride entered the parlor on her father's arm to the strains of "The Wedding March," played by a violinist. The bride and groom stood under an arch of evergreen and cut flowers and were unattended. Rev. E. H. Saunders, of the Glades. The bride was beautifully gowned in a dress of white satin and crepe de chine, with lace trimmings, and carried a bouquet of orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served. The bride was the recipient of many valuable gifts including cut glass and silver. The groom's present to the bride was a gold watch and a beautiful set of lamb fur gloves. The bride's present to the groom was a beautiful set of royal blue serge with hat to match. The young couple left on the evening train for Montreal and Chicago. On their return they will reside in Moncton.

Grannis-Craigie. Wednesday, Feb. 17. Rev. P. McKim, rector of St. Luke's church, officiated at the wedding of Gladstone R. Craigie of 38 Harrison street, and Dr. Irving V. Grannis, of Monmouth (Wis.), the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride's parents. The wedding, which took place at the home of the bride's parents, was witnessed by many friends and relatives, and was followed by a tempting reception and a dance at the home of the bride's parents.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was unattended. She was prettily dressed in blue silk. She has been popular with many friends here who will extend best wishes. Dr. Grannis is a graduate of Wisconsin University, '12 and of Harvard '14. His bride has been a trained nurse in this and other cities. Many handsome wedding remembrances were received given from the bride's relatives and friends in honor of the event.

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