

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

Legislation Will be Asked to Provide for More Efficient Carrying Out of Hard Labor Sentences.

Enlargement of the Jail, Improved Heating and Ventilating System Considered and Plans Prepared—Dr. W. W. White Appointed a Hospital Commissioner.

The January meeting of the municipal council was held Tuesday afternoon in the large room in the Court House. It took the councillors four hours to get through with the business which came up, some of the members speaking a score of times.

Warden McGoldrick, who presided, occupied the judge's seat. There were present: City of St. John—Couns. Seaton, Hillyard, Colwell, Waring, Tufts, White, Macrae, Maxwell, Robinson, McMillin, Armstrong, Baxter, Daniel and Christie.

Lancaster—Couns. Catherwood and Lowell. Simonds—Couns. Lee and Horgan. St. Martins—Couns. Ruddock, Fownes and Cochran. Musquash—Couns. Dean and Hargrove.

In calling the meeting to order, the warden said he was glad to meet the members of the council again. He hoped they would all have a prosperous and happy New Year. He referred to the agitation for the improvement in the jail, and said the council should take some action.

The report of the finance and accounts committee was then read. They recommended the payment of accounts, payment to be made out of the contingent fund, except where otherwise directed, as follows:

- To George A. Knodell—Printing and books for secretary's and treasurer's office. \$38.25
To Telegraph and Telephone Company—Advertising tenders for heating and repairing Court House. 4.00
To John White—One-half dozen office chairs, Registry office. 11.00
To George A. Knodell—Printing forms for registrar's office of births, marriages and deaths. 6.50
To J. A. McMillin—Record books, registry office. 45.00
To J. B. Jones—Registrar of births, etc.—Registering 225 marriages. \$23.60
Registering 567 births. 56.70
Registering 31 deaths. 36.19
Postages. 1.98
Total. 137.25
To City of St. John—Water assessment for year 1900, registry office. 8.00
To David Watson—Coach hire to St. Martins. 12.00
(This amount to be charged to Quaco school lands account.)
To Commissioners of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum—Expense of maintenance of 13 patients, for quarter ending December 31st, 1900. 298.75
To J. H. Lawrence—New floor on furnace in registry office. 1.50
To H. Lawrence—High sheriff—Revising list of voters for county of St. John for 1901. 50.00
To James Matheson—Fin box for vouchers, etc., auditor's office. 3.50
To the New Brunswick Telephone Company (Limited)—One-half month, from Dec. 1st to June 1st, 1901. 8.75
To E. P. & W. W. Coal for Court House. 83.58
To W. H. Thorne & Company (Limited)—Scoop shovel for use at Court House. 85
To Macaulay Bros. & Company—Decorating Court House and return of soldiers from South Africa. 55.58
To the Sun Printing Co. (Limited)—Decorating for heating and repairs to Court House. 4.00
To J. B. Cameron—One gallon oil and can. 5.00
One lantern for Court House. 1.10
Total. 676.67

The committee recommended that the lieutenant governor in council be memorialized to repeal the law as to the registration of marriages, births and deaths, as it is unnecessary and exceedingly expensive. They also recommended that they be authorized to institute and direct legal proceedings against all defaulters for taxes in the parishes of this municipality. That the amount to the credit of the peddler's license fund, and the board of examiners of lumber surveyors' account, be distributed as by law directed.

The first portion of the report met with no opposition, but there was a long discussion over the proposal to repeal the law as to the registration of marriages, births and deaths.

Coun. Maxwell moved that this section be referred to the bills and bye laws committee to report upon.

Coun. Christie spoke of the law as worthless as far as St. John was concerned. It cost the city a lot of money, but the record was very imperfect.

Coun. Baxter recognized the importance of having these records, and moved that the section be stricken out of the report.

Coun. Daniel agreed that the record was imperfect, but he did not feel like voting for the recommendation of the committee. He moved that the matter lie on the table.

After some further talk Coun. Maxwell's motion passed. The remainder of the report was adopted.

The report of the county buildings committee was as follows: That with reference to the necessity of increased accommodation in the jail, and the enforcement of hard labor sentences therein, the committee have exceedingly regretted for the consideration of these matters, and on two occasions held a joint meeting with the committee appointed to act with the sheriff in regard to hard labor sentences in the jail; and also with the Hon. William Pugsley, attorney general, for the purpose of ascertaining his view upon two questions, namely:—

First—As to whether the provincial government would favorably consider the institution and maintenance of a central provincial prison for short term prisoners. The attorney general expressed the opinion that, other things being equal, it is doubtful if this idea could be carried out.

Second—As to the question of obtaining necessary legislation for the enforcement of hard labor sentences. The sheriff the attorney general expressed his willingness to as-

sert in obtaining any personal legislation the council may deem necessary. The committee recommended that the commission bills for the legislature be authorized to prepare a bill to be presented at the next session of the legislature, to provide for the more efficient carrying out and enforcing of hard labor sentences in the jail, and that the secretary be authorized to publish the necessary notice of the presentation of the said bill.

The committee, after having carefully considered the matter of jail improvements, recommended that the jail be enlarged by the addition of a new addition thereto, and that the committee be authorized to employ an architect to make plans, specifications and estimate, and also a better system of heating and ventilation, and to report at the next meeting of this council.

The committee desire to acknowledge the receipt of several communications relating to the matter of jail reform, all of which have been duly considered.

Coun. McMillin, the chairman of the committee, moved the adoption of the report, in doing which he declared that the time had arrived for the council to take action with reference to the jail.

Coun. Baxter suggested an amendment to the effect that the committee invite competitive plans, those accepted only to be paid for.

Coun. McMillin had no objection to this. Then the report was taken up section by section. The recitals contained in the first three paragraphs were adopted.

When it came to the recommendation with regard to hard labor sentences, Coun. Christie objected. He did not believe the council would ever attempt to enforce the same. To talk of attaching the ball and shackle was going too far. It would not be done in this enlightened age. The jail was good enough for the majority of those who went there, as was shown by their anxiety to get back.

Coun. Baxter did not see why the prisoners could not be employed, and that was what the committee had in mind. He thought it should be maintained, he better accommodation for those who went there who had not been proven guilty of any crime.

Coun. Millidge considered the jail almost livable in it. Still debtors and those sent in on remand should not be mixed up with the hard criminals.

Coun. Christie wanted to know how it was proposed to employ the people. It would cost too much to transport to the jail yard for them to break.

Coun. Macrae said there were two acts with reference to hard labor sentences. What was sought was power to make rules for the same.

Coun. McMillin said it was not proposed to put the men on the streets with ball and chain attachments. The jail was overcrowded and the committee were anxious to have the authorities given power to put the men to work. This would not be a serious loss.

The section was adopted. The section dealing with jail improvements was then taken up.

Coun. Baxter moved for the amendment of the section so as to provide for the employment of those accepted alone to be paid for.

Coun. Daniel said this section, if adopted, would bind the council to enlarge the jail. He suggested a change which would avoid this.

Coun. Baxter proposed to amend the recommendation so as to read that the committee be authorized to consider the enlargement of the jail.

Coun. Maxwell held that the council should decide what they were going to do. If this amendment was agreed to, nothing would be done. Some members favored enlarging the jail, others thought the present place should be abandoned and a new jail built, and others seemed to think that the jail as it was would suffice.

The cost of the addition would be about \$7,000 or \$8,000. There would be plenty of room and better accommodations.

Again Coun. Baxter changed his proposed amendment to provide that the committee be authorized to consider the enlargement of the accommodations in the jail, also improvements in the heating apparatus and ventilation.

Couns. Christie and Armstrong followed. The latter did not consider the jail as bad as some people tried to make it out.

Finally Coun. McMillin moved the adoption of the report.

Coun. Baxter moved his amendment as last framed, including the invitation for competitive plans.

The amendment carried, and the remainder of the report was adopted. The secretary read correspondence which had taken place between Senator Ellis and the recorder relative to James Barr's petition, who hopes soon to celebrate the one hundred and tenth anniversary of his birthday.

Senator Ellis wrote Warden McGoldrick some time since, stating that his attention had been called to the matter, with the suggestion that some recognition be given to the same. Mr. Ellis expressed the hope that the warden and council would see that due honor was paid to one so old. The

warden's reply was read, in which he expressed a willingness to do anything in his power, and asked Mr. Ellis what form the affair should take. Mr. Ellis did not feel like suggesting anything, but he left it with the council.

The warden asked the council what they would do in honor of this old gentleman.

Coun. Christie suggested that the St. Martins councillors be heard from. Coun. Fownes said he knew Mr. Rosa very well. He was a respected citizen, who lived with his son. The family were in comfortable circumstances.

Coun. Daniel moved that a congratulatory resolution be prepared and sent to Mr. Rosa, and that the aged gentleman be presented with an arm chair.

Coun. Fownes seconded the motion, which passed.

The warden will look after the presentation of the resolution and the chair.

Sheriff Sturdee complained that there was a leak in the gas pipes in his office. He also suggested a change and improvement in the lighting of the court room. It was referred to Coun. McMillin to look after the break.

J. V. McLellan, registrar of deeds, sent in his returns, showing that there was a balance of receipts of \$27.45 due the city.

The return was read. Letters were read from Chas. Campbell, J. A. Magilton and R. W. Thorne applying for the position of auditor of the books and accounts of the county. It was decided that Mr. Whiteside, the auditor, is ill and unable to attend to the duties of the office.

Dr. Morrison sent in a letter stating that Mr. Whiteside had lost his sight, but he intimated that it might be restored.

Members pointed out that Mr. Whiteside had been unable to do any work for a year. Mr. Campbell was at present attending to it.

A resolution providing for the tabling of the applications and the reference to the finance and accounts committee of the office and the salary, as well as that of the county treasurer, was declared lost. Twelve members voted for it and twelve against it. The warden has the right to vote on all questions, but he did not do so. Some members called upon him to give the casting vote, but the secretary stated that he could not do so. The resolution, not having carried, was declared lost.

Then came a resolution to declare the office vacant, but it failed to go through, the vote standing 10 for and 10 against. The warden decided that as he had not voted before he would not do so this time.

It was then decided by a vote of 13 to 10 to place the applications on the table.

The secretary reported that there was a vacancy on the general public hospital commission, caused by the death of Dr. Joly. It was decided to fill the vacancy by nomination and ballot. Coun. Macrae nominated Dr. W. W. White, and Coun. Christie nominated Dr. James Christie.

The secretaries, Coun. Colwell, Macrae and Lowell, announced that the vote stood: Dr. White, 19. Dr. Christie, 5.

Dr. Christie was declared elected to fill the vacancy.

The secretaries proposed to remove the stoves from the court room and store them up stairs in the Court House.

The matter of filling the vacancy in the board for the examination of lumber surveyors caused by the death of C. F. Clinch was referred till May.

Coun. Christie, the chairman of the finance and accounts committee, stated that the county treasurer had been incapacitated for a year and the council should, if not now, at least in May appoint to the position a man who was able to do the work.

The secretary said the treasurer informed him that he expected to be able to resume his duties on February 1st.

Coun. Hargrove inquired what had become of one with regard to the Musquash defalcation.

Coun. Macrae said it was in the hands of a committee, who interviewed Mr. Barnhill, having been given to understand that he represented all the bondsmen. It was only the other day that the discovery was made that Mr. Barnhill did not represent them all. Hon. Mr. Pugsley and A. I. Trueman represented some of them.

The committee would be called together on the 19th to decide whether to bring a suit against Mr. Barnhill's bondsmen or not.

Coun. Catherwood moved that the bills and bye laws committee be instructed to prepare a bill for enactment which would provide for replacing in collectors of rates' hands the lists earlier.

Coun. Baxter suggested that Coun. Catherwood add to his resolution that the committee also prepare a bill for the imposition upon persons coming into Lancaster from outside the city and county to work of a license fee.

This was agreed to and the motion passed.

ST. JOHN PRESBYTERY.

Regular Quarterly Meeting Held at St. Andrew's Church.

Considerable Business of a Routine Character Transacted—The Century Fund.

The St. John Presbytery met at St. Andrew's church on Tuesday morning. Rev. J. M. Robinson, moderator. Sederunt: Revs. J. M. Robinson, A. H. Foster, F. Fotheringham, W. Murray, Dr. Macrae, Dr. Macrae, D. J. Fraser, L. A. McLean, A. H. Campbell, W. McDonald, J. Burgess, D. McD. Clarke and L. S. Johnston, Judge Stevens, L. W. Livingston, S. R. Back, C. McLean.

The presbytery instructed the clerk to inform the provincial secretary of any removals of ministers, re the new marriage law.

Rev. Dr. Macrae, who was present, was asked to sit and correspond with Rev. Dr. McKenzie and read and entered on the minutes.

As a result of a report read at last sederunt, there was a discussion on religious instruction in the schools. It was moved that Rev. Mr. Fotheringham and L. S. Johnston be appointed to draw up a statement expressing the views of the presbytery on religious instruction in the schools and to submit the same to the next meeting of the presbytery.

A highly complimentary minute and the removal of Rev. J. S. Sutherland from the St. John Presbytery was read.

Mr. Campbell, of Waterford, expressed his intention, if presbytery agreed, to accept the call to the Lowry Musquodoboit, and to begin work there the last of April. It was regularly agreed that his translation be announced at the next meeting.

A remit from the general assembly in regard to extended powers of the synods to have final jurisdiction in certain matters not touching upon doctrine or the like, which matters now take up considerable portion of the time of the general assembly, was read, and the decision arrived at last year was re-affirmed.

The use of such a manual for social worship as submitted by a committee of the general assembly was approved, and the resolutions made last year in regard to it were re-affirmed.

On this matter considerable discussion arose. D. McLean thought that it was a matter touching laymen more closely than any one else. As it would be used where there was no minister, the opinion of laymen should be consulted. Personally, he disapproved of it.

Rev. T. F. Fotheringham moved that the presbytery approve of the appointment of a Sabbath school and field secretary. The motion carried.

A communication from the Sabbath school committee of the general assembly was read. On motion the Board of Christian Education and the Sabbath school committee.

A communication was received from the century fund committee of the assembly, urging the prosecution of the work in connection with the fund. It was moved that the moderator and hearing reports from the various standing committees. The committee on home missions recommended the payment of bills in that department.

Considerable discussion took place on the matter of religious instruction in the public schools and the following resolution was adopted: (1) That the presbytery declares its approval of the non-sectarian public school system of this province and would deprecate any agitation which would disturb the existing harmony in regard to it.

(2) At the same time the presbytery would, in accordance with the historic attitude of the church, affirm its strong conviction that no system of education can produce intelligent and God-fearing citizens which does not give a due place in its course to the Bible and its teachings.

(3) The presbytery would draw the attention of school trustees and teachers to the fact that the Bible should be placed in the hands of the children of the Presbyterians church, to the facilities accorded them to promote religious instruction in the public schools under the school law of the province, and would recommend them to make the best use of the opportunities afforded them.

Rev. Dr. Bryce of Manitoba College was nominated for moderator at the next general assembly session, to be held in Ottawa during June next.

OTTAWA, Jan. 12.—Prof. E. Stone Wiggins, in an interview as to the possibilities of communicating by telegraph with the planet Mars, entirely endorses the feasibility of the proposition, but claims that Marconi has stolen his discovery. He says he discovered, and published the so-called Marconi method in 1883, two years before Marconi began his experiments. Then he says: "Surely the philosopher who by years of study evolved a theory should be equally rewarded with the man who puts it to the practical test by having a legal equal right in all patents. If Marconi does not give me a share of the proceeds from his French patents, I will appeal to His Majesty through Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and his excellency the governor general, as a British subject, and ask for equal rights in his patents for the British domin-

ions. I will make the same representations to the president of the United States. My appeal to the latter will be based on the fact that my essay for the Hodgkins prize of \$10,000 was submitted by the Smithsonian Institution at Washington to the French scientists for examination in 1884, and it was from this essay Marconi first learned that the earth's electric energy collects in hills, mountains, in fact all elevation on her surface. He immediately began to erect towers, and placing instruments upon their summits, they answered each other.

But I am now even with him, for I have discovered that the telephone acts on the same wireless principle, and I will ask patents from Canada, Great Britain and even France, and my telephone will supplant his telegraph, then railways will take down their wires, for conversation can be conducted between stations and even trains, generals can talk with each other while the battle is raging by merely sticking their swords into the ground, ships will speak with each other miles away, while we can converse by stretching our limbs upon the grassy lawns, with the weary traveler trudging his icy way to the northern pole.

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LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(To Correspondents—Write on one side of the paper only. Send your name, not necessarily for publication, with your communications. The Sun does not undertake to return rejected manuscripts. All unsigned communications are promptly consigned to the waste basket.)

DOES NOT SEE EYE TO EYE WITH LA VERITE. DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 13th, 1901. To the Editor of the Sun: Sir—A few days ago I had occasion to look at a copy of La Verite, a French-Canadian newspaper published in Montreal, and was surprised at its attitude towards Great Britain. If I had the acquaintance of the editor I should advise him to change brands or take the Keely cure and quit altogether.

One clause in particular interested me: "The French-Canadian have only to make a sign to Uncle Sam and in fifteen days an American army would occupy Montreal, Quebec and Toronto."

The above is so ridiculous it is funny. The poor editor's pipe must have gone out, or he must know but little of the feeling of the American people towards the French-Canadian. Why should America quarrel with her banker? Why should she quarrel with the only nation on earth that prevented American interference during our recent trouble with Spain? Why would America quarrel with her own flesh and blood? Withdraw British capital from America and two-thirds of the great industries would close their doors, many of the great railways would not have been built. Take from us the English customs and you will destroy our system of law and justice, it would remove our freedom; in fact the withdrawal of British manners and customs from America would be the destruction of the republican model. Although we have vastly improved on the British pattern, it is still always to be the American landmark.

My business takes me over a large portion of central and western United States, and I cannot but note the comment of the different classes on the British-Bosch war. I find that the average business and professional man is in sympathy with the British, while among the uneducated classes I find more Boer sympathizers; in fact the most of the anti-British in the United States are found among the lower classes who have emigrated from the Latin nations and brought their ignorant ideas with them, and occasionally you will find a senator or congressman while catering to that class will make an ignorant speech as he finds it cheaper commodity than money with which to procure the vote of the ignorant foreigner (of which we have too many in this country) but go to such men as Senator Allison of Iowa, Collum of Illinois, Quarrels and Spooner of Wisconsin, Hanna of Ohio, and many other great men of which this country can boast, men who are looked to by time for advice, men upon whom the weight of government rests, men who know the hardships with which nations are made, and in them you will find that true spirit of American patriotism linked with British sentiment, and that they will be from some stronger cause than the "French-Canadian sign."

We have a few cranks here, as you have in Canada, but thank heaven they are not in touch with the machinery of government, and when they do endeavor to handle the state ship of state pay no attention whatever.

If the La Verite was in this country and endeavored to publish such anarchistic matter and assail the American government as it does the British, the editor would be waiting for the "White Caps," and you can guess the rest. If this is an exhibition of the patriotic spirit of the French-Canadian, they need give Uncle Sam the sign, because if they cannot be loyal citizens of the British Empire they would be apt to make good liberal Americans.

I was raised in New Brunswick, but have been a citizen of the United States for some years, and think America the greatest nation on earth, but England has been the teacher of the world, and has done more for civilization, commerce and development than any other nation on earth, and when a narrow minded man endeavors to assail the grand old empire I for one must resent it.

I am proud of my British blood and of America, the land of my choice. I am also proud of the Anglo-Saxon who show their love for Canada, but thank heaven they are not in touch with the machinery of government, and when they do endeavor to handle the state ship of state pay no attention whatever.

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PROVINCIAL NEWS

FREDERICTON, Jan. 14.—James "Dick" Dibble, who lately returned from South Africa, was royally entertained tonight by the Fredericton Curling Club, of which he is a member. The affair took the form of a beesting, and after the well laden tables had been cleared by the hungry curlers, President Dibble in a neat speech presented Dick with a handsome pair of initialed curling stones. Dick made a suitable reply, warmly thanking the club for their handsome gift. He was given three cheers and a tiger. The beesting broke up at an early hour in the morning.

The annual meeting of the Fredericton Board of Trade took place this afternoon. The president's report dealt with the proposed extension of the Canada Eastern railway, and the up river steamboat service. In the course of the tourists' committee's report, submitted by C. F. Chestnut, chairman of the committee, it was suggested that the provincial legislature be asked to make an appropriation to present a medal to each man from New Brunswick who served in South Africa. The treasurer's report showed a balance to the credit of the committee of \$284.34.

Mrs. Harry and Wm. Walker, who departed from the military school here last summer, were captured at Sydney Saturday, and arrived here prisoners this morning. They will be tried by court martial.

The not unexpected death of Wm. Dennison, locomotive engineer on the Canada Eastern railway, occurred last night at Montreal general hospital, where he went about three weeks ago and submitted to a critical operation. Mrs. Dennison was in the city at the time with him when the end came. The late Mr. Dennison had been in the employ of the Canada Eastern railway for many years, and for several years past was driver on the suburban train between Fredericton and Marysville. He was about 55 years of age, and leaves three sons and three daughters. The body will be brought home for burial, and notice of the funeral will be given later.

The death occurred this morning of Mrs. J. W. Currie, who resided at the corner of Charlotte street, after a short illness with pneumonia. She leaves one son, Daniel, of this city, and four daughters, Mrs. Low of Halifax, Mrs. Odell Fortin of this city, and Misses Kate and Evelyn Daly at home. Ralph Clarke, the well known traveler for the Hartt Boot and Shoe Co. is ill at Victoria hospital with congestion of the lungs.

MCADAM JUNCTION, Jan. 14.—A pleasant surprise awaited the Rev. A. W. Currie, who arrived by train to spend his last Sunday as pastor of Union church. On his arrival he was escorted to the church, where he was met by a large number of people, who had assembled to show in a tangible way the esteem in which he is held by the inhabitants of McAdam. Mr. Mackenzie, on behalf of the congregation, presented him with a purse containing fifty dollars.

The presentation was made in the following words: "Dear Pastor—It is with feelings of deepest regret that we have learned of your intention to leave us to labor in another part of the Lord's vineyard. During your stay among us you have endeavored to bring to the highest degree by exemplifying the highest type of the citizen and the special ambassador of the King of Kings, and by your untiring efforts to build up the cause of truth and righteousness among us.

The good results which will follow from your labors here and which will echo and re-echo down the corridors of time will add another star to your crown, and when life's labors are over and its conflicts ended and you are called to your heavenly home, you will be remembered as one who has so faithfully served and whose name you have sought to carry to the glory of the divine command. "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

To your estimable partner we wish to convey the strongest assurance of our love, and respect and regard. To yourself and family in your new field of labor we wish long life, happiness and prosperity.

As a more substantial evidence of our regard than we can express in words we respectfully ask you to accept the accompanying purse.

Sincerely and respectfully,
R. MACKENZIE,
On behalf of the Rev. A. W. Currie.

Mr. Currie was taken wholly by surprise, but overcame the intensity of his feelings and thanked the trustees and the people of Union church, McAdam, for this expression of good will and kind regards, and also for the many kind acts shown him while laboring here for the short space of two years. He said although called to labor in another vineyard, that he could never forget the kindness shown him while here, that his earnest prayer would be that the power of the Spirit of God may be thoroughly exercised in the hearts of the people, and as the new pastor begins his work here that the same efforts of the people, joined with his, may bring forth an abundant harvest.

Pleasant addresses were then made by J. W. Green, J. Hallett, J. W. Hoyt and R. McKennie. Mr. Currie has taken charge of a church at Westerville, Carleton Co.

BENTON, Carleton Co., Jan. 11.—Mrs. Peter Stuart was found dead in her bed this morning. She had been in poor health for some time, caused by a tumor in her left side. As she seemed quite well lately her husband left home on Monday last to work in the lumber woods. She attended to her household duties yesterday, and retired last night as usual. When the family arose this morning they were surprised to find that she had passed away during the night without any appearance of even a struggle. She was about 40 years old, and leaves a husband, four small children and two sisters. Mrs. Dennis McMillan of this place and Mrs. John McClellan of Canterbury, York Co. She was a daughter of William and Ruth Lutwick, both deceased, but old residents of this place.

The funeral of Mrs. Enos Dow took place on Thursday last, Revs. C. N. Barton and G. Ross officiating. She was 29 years of age, and a daughter of Wm. McPherson of Houlton, Maine. She leaves a husband, father, mother, two brothers and two sisters.

The week of prayer has been observed here by union services held alternately in the Methodist and Baptist churches.

As the "soldier boys" on their return

passed through here on the noon express today, they were welcomed at the depot by a large crowd of enthusiastic citizens.

The Court of Canadian Order of Foresters has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Frank Mills, C. R.; Harry Deakin, V. C. R.; John Murray, chap.; John Speer, fin. sec.; McLeod Mills, rec. sec.; E. M. Lavery, treas.; Nevers Dow, S. E.; Sandy Grant, J. B.; Leslie Mills, auditor; Wm. Hallett, Albert Osborn, and Geo. Anderson, trustees.

HAZLETON, Kings Co., Jan. 15.—The site of the Leonard hotel, with barns and sheds, were purchased from Abram Tabor and wife by Dr. J. Newton Smith last evening. There were a number of applicants for it, and the value of the site is said to be quite up to the value. It is Dr. Smith's intention to remove all buildings on the lot and terrace and grace it from his own residence down to the main street. This will give him a fine western and northern outlook and will raise the value of bordering lots, as it should also reduce the rates of insurance.

The Tabor's go back to their farm in Upham, if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the present lessees.

C. K. Leonard has found comfortable temporary quarters for his barber shop in McLean & Ryan's tailoring establishment, but it is understood that S. G. McCurdy, of the Vendôme hotel, will fit up a handsome barber shop with all modern improvements and requirements for him in the basement of the hotel, and that it will be in running order by May 1st. Mr. Leonard says it will be as handsome an establishment as any in St. John, and equally well equipped.

The absence of crime and litigation in Kings county was further in evidence this morning, when on the opening of the January session of the county court by His Honor Judge Wetherburn Sheriff Hatfield informed him he had no criminal case to present, and the clerk, Ora P. King, reported that no civil cases had been entered. So there was no docket.

The judge smilingly referred to this satisfactory state of affairs from the public standpoint, although it looked bad for the legal fraternity. The court was adjourned sine die.

The travellers of the Ossekeeg Stamping Company are conferring with A. P. Arnold, representing the Bank of New Brunswick, and Senator Wood, who holds the plant, in regard to the best disposition which can be made of the stock, of which it is said there is some forty thousand dollars' worth on hand. What the final outcome of the matter will be is undetermined as yet, although hopes are expressed that the factory will not be removed from this place. The outside indebtedness is understood to be small.

BOIBESTOWN, N. B., Jan. 14.—This place has enjoyed one of the finest winters ever known in this section of the province. Mostly all the lumber operators are done yarding and generally have been hauling for some time. Generally there will be a good winter's cut on the Miramichi waters.

Smallpox, although down the river, has as yet not reached here. A few cases of whooping cough, scarlet fever and chicken pox are reported.

The Wm. Richards Co. of this place have twenty-five men cutting spool-wood, preparatory to beginning operations in the mill. The smokstack, the foundation of which was partly washed away in last fall's freshet, is being taken down. A new foundation has been built.

HOPWELL HILL, a. n. 13.—Ward Beechlin, a Riverside youth, recently committed to a charge of abduction, pleaded guilty before Judge Wedderburn on Thursday, and was let out on his own recognizance, to appear for sentence at the July session of the court, his honor evidently not considering the case a very serious one. It seems that the young lady in the case, a damsel of seventeen summers, was a very willing captive, and anxious to share in the joys and sorrows of her young Lochinvar.

A snow storm that developed into a veritable blizzard, prevailed last night. The roads are badly drifted. No services were held in some of the churches today on account of the condition of the roads.

A. B. Davidson, pastor of the Hopewell Baptist church, is holding special meetings at the Cape.

David Tingley, stone cutter, at the Cape, who has been afflicted with lung trouble for the past year, has been falling considerably lately, and is now confined to his bed.

Mrs. Brown, widow of David Brown, whose sudden death occurred here some weeks ago, left this week for Hall's Harbor, N. S., to reside with her late husband's relatives.

ALBERT, N. B., Jan. 14.—Arthur MacNaughton and Harry Burns, who have been spending the holidays with friends at Albert, have returned to college, the former to McGill, and the latter to the University of New Brunswick.

Miss Laura Hughes inflicted a bad cut on her left hand yesterday. Dr. Canworth, who was called in to dress the cut, found it necessary to take several stitches in it.

A. B. Calhoun of Calhoun's Mills, Westmorland Co., has a large crew in the woods at Beaver Brook, Albert Co. Mr. Calhoun's cut at that place will be in the vicinity of two million feet.

A new bell has recently been procured for the Presbyterian church, the gift of Lieut. Gov. McClellan.

Rev. Mr. Walden, lately of Antigonish, N. S., will hold evangelical services in the Presbyterian church, beginning with Wednesday evening, 30th instant.

Corey Wood, who has been visiting friends at St. George, N. B., has returned to Albert.

SACKVILLE, N. B., Jan. 15.—The heads of the local and provincial boards of health have declared Sackville immune from smallpox, as strict quarantine regulations have been enforced since Dec. 25th with the infected districts, and no case of the disease has appeared in the town.

The work at the ladies' college is running with smoothness. The duties of the late vice president are divided among the teachers, and no further arrangement has as yet been made.

The students are rapidly returning

and there is every prospect for a full school. The vocal teacher taking Miss Golder's place, Miss Kate E. Hatheway, has arrived and is giving every satisfaction.

John T. McNeill, Q. C., was in Sackville Tuesday on his return to Charlottetown from Halifax, where he was attending the funeral of his sister, the late Mrs. Archibald.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 15.—The York municipal council met in semi-annual session at the county court house today. Warden McMillin presiding. There was a large attendance of councillors, every parish being represented. After roll call, Warden McMillin in a neat speech thanked the council for the honor they had bestowed upon him when they had elected him warden for the year 1900. Circumstances, however, compelled him to resign the position, and he asked that another gentleman be elected in his stead. Councillor McMillin moved and Councillor Morgan seconded that Dr. O. E. Morehouse be elected warden for the ensuing year. The motion was carried unanimously. The minutes of the semi-annual session were read and approved.

Secretary-Treasurer Black then submitted his report for the year ending November 30, 1900. The report was satisfactory in every way and showed a balance of over \$3,000 to the credit of the council. A committee was appointed to audit the accounts. They were found correct.

At 1.30 a group photograph of the councillors was taken at Burghard's studio.

In the afternoon session C. T. G. Loggie and Capt. H. F. McLeod, J. F. Winslow and J. H. Howthorne were before the council. They asked that the council grant a certain sum for the purpose of buying colors for the first regiment. The request met with the hearty approval of the members and the handsome sum of \$200 was voted for the purpose.

After some general business had been transacted, the council adjourned.

John Black was re-elected secretary-treasurer and J. W. McCready, auditor.

FREDERICTON, N. B., Jan. 16.—Warden Morehouse entertained the county councillors at dinner at the Hotel de Ville last evening. The affair was a splendid success in every way and the new warden presided to the satisfaction of all.

After ample justice had been done to the good things provided by Messrs. Donald and E. McCreedy, the usual toasts were duly honored, interspersed with songs, speeches, etc.

The Marysville assault case occupied the attention of the police magistrate today. Three charges for assault and battery were laid by Harry Blair against town marshal A. L. Barker of Marysville. Barker, through his counsel, J. H. Barry, pleaded guilty to the charge. It is understood that Blair will also prefer a charge against Harry M. Gibson of Arville, and that the latter will contest the charge. The case will be continued tomorrow.

A petition was presented to the York county council this morning praying for the appointment of a Scott Act inspector. The matter is under discussion this afternoon.

Judge Gregory, on application of O. S. Crockett, counsel for petitioner, this morning made an order for a substitute affidavit of several persons to read, tending to show that the personal service with Deputy Sheriff Hawthorne alleges that he made on the respondent at his home on the evening of the fifth of January last was not in fact made upon him, but on some other person put forward by him in contact with the sheriff. (Loud cheers.) What that strain must be on those who have endured it they alone can tell, but I have often wondered at seeing these men, not trained soldiers, nor mercenaries at all in the service of the term, but men that came forward at the time of their country's need and devoted their lives to the service of their country, the very best form of volunteers. I have seen these men go out day after day on exciting duty.

A very successful entertainment was held in the Orange hall, Lincoln, on Thursday night, and \$20 was realized for the building fund. A. W. Baird of St. John was present, and added much to the interest of the occasion. The musical part consisted of songs by J. E. Stocker, violin solos by Miss Lucy Wilmet and A. E. Wilmet. Miss Ada Mitchell presided at the piano.

R. W. Colston delivered an able and interesting lecture in the lower hall on Friday night, subject, "The British Army." A. C. Harrison occupied the chair. A hearty vote of thanks were accorded the rector at the close.

Rev. A. W. Baird spent Sunday with friends here. Miss Catherine McLean, friend of John McLean, Young's Cove, Grand Lake, died here on Friday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Young.

The ladies of the W. A. A. of Burton will hold another series of socials, which were so popular last winter. The first will be held on the 17th inst.

ST. ANDREW'S, Jan. 16.—The annual meeting of Charlotte Co. Municipal Council was opened at the county court house yesterday afternoon. There was a full and punctual attendance of councillors. Councillor Charles Cooyan of St. Stephen was elected warden. R. E. Armstrong, editor of the Beacon, was appointed official reporter.

The sch. I. N. Parker, Lipsit, master, sailed yesterday for Boston with a cargo of turnips, loaded by Hart & Greenlow.

Charles Sheehan, who worked for the C. P. R. and Western Union Telegraph Co. here, has taken charge of the office of the Western Union Co. at Lubec, Me.

MILLSTREAM, Kings Co., Jan. 15.—Robert Keith, an aged and much respected resident, died on Sunday morning at the home of his son Ainsley Keith, in the 86th year of his age. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Samuel Perry, now residing at Springhill; five sons and four daughters—Richard of Campbellton; Misses John and Mary, living in the United States; and Ainsley of this place; Mrs. Stephens of Campbellton; Mrs. Matthew Northrup of St. John; Mrs. Peter Wright, and Mrs. Abram Goggin of this place. The funeral took place in the Baptist cemetery at the head of Millstream. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Ferguson.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

There will be sold at Public Auction, on SATURDAY, THE SIXTH DAY OF APRIL, A. D. 1901, at fifteen minutes past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, at Chubb's Corner (so called), in the City of Saint John, in the Province of New Brunswick, all the piece and parcel of land and interest of John Fitzgerald in and to all that certain lot, piece and parcel of land and interest of John Fitzgerald in the City of Saint John, more or less, known and distinguished on the map or plan of the said City by the number 303 (three hundred and fifty-three), the said lot fronting on King street, formerly Great George street, in Prince Edward, forty feet wide, the distance of one hundred feet. Also all the western moiety, or one-half part, of all the western moiety, so called, fronting on the McGuire farm, so called, fronting on the southern shore of Lake Latimer and near the water works dam, the said moiety being bounded on the east by a dividing line run through the centre of said farm, and bearing south twenty-three degrees thirty minutes east by the magnet of 1887, bounded on the west by the eastern boundary of the McGuire farm, bounded on the north by the shore of Lake Latimer aforesaid, and the dam and hereby conveyed by the said City of Saint John, and bounded on the south by the bank or shore of Mispoc River, the said land hereby conveyed having a frontage of three chains and fifty-one links, measures along the Public Road, passing through the same known as the Lower Water Works Road, and containing an area of fifty-six acres, more or less, subject to right being claimed by the City of Saint John, and being conveyed from Owen McGuire to the St. John Water Company, duly recorded in Book S. No. 3, page 107, in and for the City of Saint John, bearing date August the fifteenth, 1881.

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