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THE PAST YEAR HAS BEEN GOOD ONE FINANCIALLY

For the City of Charlottetown—The Financial Statement Shows a Balance on the Right Side—Reports Submitted from the Different Committees show Excellent Work in Different Departments.

The first regular monthly meeting in 1905 of the City Council was held last night in the Council Chamber. There was a full attendance of Councillors, Mayor Kelly presided and the Recorder was also present.

The regular reading of the minutes, passing of bills, etc., were gone through with.

Communications were read from Abram Henry for an increase of salary as engineer in the Market House; from Local Council of Women thanking the Council for use of the Chamber once a month; and from Saunders & Newson, calling attention to the fact that the refrigerator and sewerage in connection with their stall was not completed.

Coun. Hooper congratulated Coun. Stewart on his re-election to the Council and knew he would be a great addition.

On motion of Coun. Prowse, seconded by Coun. Rogers, the salary of Abram Henry was increased to \$1 a day. The Mayor pointed out that Mr. Henry's duties should be defined.

The Maritime Contracting and Mining Co., Ltd., notified the Council that their contract on the New Market House was completed and asked for a full settlement of their account.

Coun. Reddin was appointed assistant Chief of the Fire Department; Coun. Alley, Chairman of the Fire Board; Coun. Stewart, Chairman of the Market Committee; Coun. Stewart, a member of the Public Property Committee and Coun. Prowse a member of the Street Committee, all in succession to Ex-Councillor Brown.

Coun. Stewart thanked the Mayor and Council for their kind remarks on taking his seat as Councillor. He congratulated them upon the improvements during the past year.

Coun. Reddin moved, seconded by Coun. Hooper, that P. S. Brown be refunded the \$16, paid in when resigning. The motion was unanimously carried.

Coun. Reddin suggested a small grant to Mrs. Warren, whose daughter, her only support, was murdered last October. The sum of \$25 was granted.

A committee composed of Couns. Hooper, Paton and Alley was appointed to look over consolidation of by-laws with the Stipendiary and Recorder.

His Worship then submitted his annual report as follows:—The past year has been one of great progress in the city. A great deal of macadamizing has been done as well as the laying of

zons. This council after giving the matter a great deal of serious consideration decided that before anything definite could be arrived at it would be necessary to have the report of competent engineers. We therefore entered into an agreement with The Deland Eng. Co., Toronto, to furnish estimates, plans, specifications etc. for both water and steam power. In the month of August an engineer from this Co. visited Winter River stream and after having made careful tests decided there was not sufficient water for the purposes. In the month of October another engineer from the same company visited the streams at Cole's Mills, Hunter River, New Glasgow and Morell. After making various tests he reported later on not any of the places were suitable, in fact there was not any stream available for the purpose, therefore we did not give city lighting by water power any further consideration.

During the engineer's stay here, he visited several locations in the city suitable for a power house, etc., and from his report he, beyond any doubt, recommends electric lighting by steam power. He also visited the present electric light power house and gas works and after receiving all available information possible has given us his report which I consider very satisfactory. I hope the subject will be submitted to a plebiscite vote, as it is purely a matter for the citizens to decide. In the meantime all available information on the subject will be given.

Another matter I would like to bring

to your notice are those objectionable fences and posts placed in front of the residences of many citizens for the protection (so called) of the grass. Whilst I think it only right that a reasonable time should be given for the protection of the grass, I certainly consider it very objectionable to allow such fences to remain year after year. In fact I am aware of many holding their position for six or more years, and we know of one instance of city property being converted into a vegetable garden. Such things should not be tolerated in a modern city like ours.

It has been brought to the notice of different councils the great necessity of an infectious or contagious hospital. Up to the present, nothing has been done. Whilst we have been comparatively free from contagious diseases we cannot tell when we may have another epidemic such as visited us in 1885. It is therefore our duty to prepare ourselves at least to some extent for such emergencies. A small building of modern conveniences suitably located would not cost a very large sum. I hope before the term of this council will expire there will be a suitable building erected.

During the past year the new market building has been completed and although the cost has been far in advance of the original estimate, it stands today, not only an ornament to the city and province, but will I believe in a short time prove to be a good paying investment. I hope the council will see its way clear to have the basement completed this winter and ready for occupancy in the early spring. I would also suggest an additional stairway or fire escape from the main hall in case of accident.

The old market shack in the month of September was removed and the material used for the erection of a building on Pownall wharf, for storing city implements, etc., and the making of concrete. It is certainly very gratifying to me as I am sure it is to the Council to know our revenue has been in excess of expenditure to the amount of \$406.92. At the present

time there is little more than \$40 of uncollected taxes. The various reports will be submitted to you.

I congratulate the Council and officials on the good work accomplished during the past year and hope that in the present year we may attain at least as much success.

FRED F. KELLY, Mayor.



W. W. CLARKE, City Clerk of Charlottetown.

It was unanimously adopted. Coun. Hooper, Finance Minister congratulated the Mayor upon his exhaustive report.

He then dealt with the financial status of the city after the past year's business. He had accepted the position of Chairman of the Finance Committee with some reluctance as the late City Clerk was just then severing his connection with the city.

In years gone by the city had annual deficits but in recent years deficits are a thing of the past. This year again we have a surplus of \$406.92, and only a small balance of uncollected taxes which even yet will be nearly all secured. The city was fortunate in securing as City Clerk, Mr. Clarke who has done everything possible for the good of the city. Mr. VanDerstine also received a word of praise for his admirable work in collecting.

A shack had been placed on Pownall Wharf at a cost of \$325 which was unestimated and also \$461 not estimated for public works. For School Board, the grant was \$1,000 more than a year before and this is still increasing. An amount not estimated was paid for a report on electric lighting and \$500 for consolidating laws will not have to be again paid.

The city is today in as good a position as ever in its history.

A better arrangement than ever before has been made with the Banks. In sale of debentures the demand was much in excess of the supply and one above par was paid for them and even more may yet be realized. A prominent banker had recently told him Charlottetown security was second to none in Canada.

The burning of the old market was a blessing in disguise. Now we had one which will compare favorably with any in Canada. He eulogised the work of the contractors of the building. The new Market will give a clear revenue of at least \$2000 a year. We can establish a sinking fund of \$1000 a year to pay off the debentures.

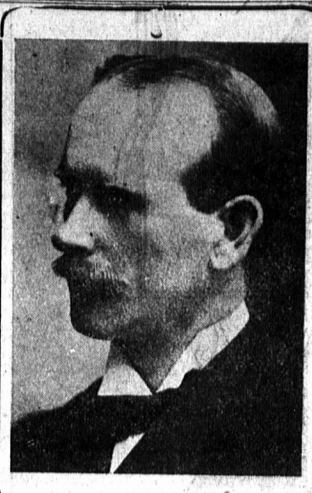
Speaking of the Light & Power Co., Ltd., he agreed with the Mayor that the nearest way to arrive at a decision was to submit the matter to a plebiscite of the citizens.

Coun. Paton submitted his report which was a lengthy and comprehensive one of which a synopsis will appear tomorrow.

It was unanimously adopted. Report of the Police Committee which he pointed out showed an improvement in many respects over the previous year. The receipts were \$4,197.15 and the expenditure \$3088.11. In Prohibition fines \$3803.53 was collected and \$1466.69 paid over to the Government.

The report was unanimously adopted. Coun. Riley for the Light & Power Committee reported as follows:—Gentlemen, Your committee on Light Department beg leave to submit the annual report for the year ending Dec. 31st 1905.

The number of arc lights in the street lighting service is the same as last year namely seventy five, while there are



DR. F. F. KELLY, Mayor of Charlottetown.

twenty-eight incandescent lights in service, being an increase of four during the year, which are located as follows, one at Upper Prince St., one at Brighton near the residence of James Tait, one at Richmond St. west, one near the P. E. I. Hospital.

During the year the Light and Power Co. submitted a proposition to install a new system of lamps namely the enclosed Arc system, this at an additional cost to the city. This proposition was not accepted by the Council. The Company has however, installed at its own expense one circuit of about twenty-five lamps with the new system, and those give general satisfaction. In the Arc Light system interruptions have occurred and must be expected, the chief cause however is the open Arc lamp which is admitted by all to be out of date. The Council has taken up the question of municipal ownership and have had a report of the probable cost of a Light plant submitted by a competent engineer. The estimate covers the cost of a street lighting plant also a plant for commercial and domestic lighting. The report was made public in the City press, and it is the intention of the Council to call a meeting of Citizens at an early date. The total cost of City lighting for the year has been \$507.56 while there was \$103.85 collected from the company for interruptions.

The whole respectfully submitted. D. J. RILEY, Chairman on behalf of the Committee.

Coun. Reddin reported that the Fire Department was in a most efficient state. He congratulated the Mayor upon his report and Coun. Hooper upon his excellent work as Finance Minister.

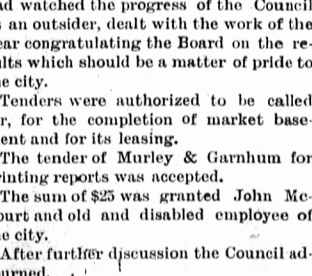
Coun. Alley praised the work especially of Coun. Paton as chairman of the Street Committee and Coun. Stewart, as one who had watched the progress of the Council as an outsider, dealt with the work of the year congratulating the Board on the results which should be a matter of pride to the city.

Tenders were authorized to be called for, for the completion of market basement and for its leasing. The tender of Murley & Garnham for printing reports was accepted.

The sum of \$25 was granted John McCourt and old and disabled employee of the city. After further discussion the Council adjourned.

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CHARLES CAMERON, CITY MARSHAL.



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THE WEATHER

THE PROBABILITIES

TORONTO, Jan. 10.—(Special).—Strong winds and gales southerly to westerly, snow and rain.

THE TEMPERATURE

The weather yesterday held moderately cold all day. The temperature registered 18 above zero at 4 this a. m.

THE NEWSBOYS' ENTERTAINMENT

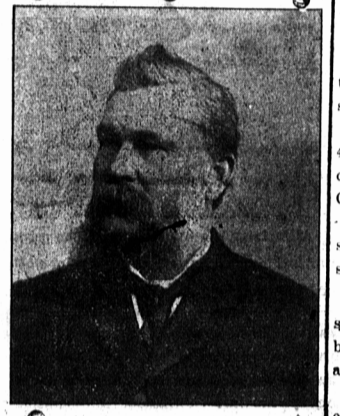
St. JOHN, Jan. 10.—(Special).—The City newsboys and messengers to the number of three hundred and fifty were last night entertained by the citizens at a dinner in York theatre. It was a grand day for the boys.

WAS MURDERED FOR HIS MONEY

ELLSWORTH, ME., Jan. 9.—(Special).—A murder committed in cold blood with robbery as the probable motive became known to-day by the finding of the body of William Robbins, a Deer Island fisherman in an isolated house one mile from Mountainville Postoffice.

Robbins was forty-six years old and lived alone. The neighbors who went to the house to-day found the body lying in a pool of blood and the interior of the house indicated that a desperate struggle had taken place.

Robbins had evidently been dead for a week. He was known to have had considerable money in his place and this is missing.



CHARLES DALZIEL, Superintendent of Waterworks and Sewerage.

FAST HOCKEY IN OTHER PROVINCES

SYDNEY, January 6.—In the opening match of the Cape Breton hockey league at Rosslyn rink, this city, tonight, the Nationals of Sydney defeated the Glace Bay A. H. H. by a score of 7 to 2. Five of the goals for the Nationals were scored by Cushing, a former Charlottetown hockeyist.

Brownie Mahar and Jack Andrews scoring one each. Breant scored both goals for Glace Bay. The playing was fast, with body checking and slashing as some of its leading features. The Nationals and North Sydney will play the second match of the series at North Sydney next Tuesday evening.

TRURO, Jan. 6.—In the first game of the Nova Scotia hockey league series, played here this evening before eight hundred people, Amherst walked over Truro in the open field, scoring seven to four. As the teams came on the ice Amherst stood a much heavier team than Truro, playing two or three very heavy and swift men.

The first of game was fast, Truro putting up a score of one in five minutes' play. The play then eased off till half time, Amherst seeming to hold Truro easily close to the goal, and running up three points.

When the second half started the play was fierce. Amherst took control and, amid high enthusiasm, ran their score quickly up to seven against Truro's one. Three additional points were made in less than five minutes, while Truro seemed fagged. She wakened up and returned the compliment by three additional goals in as many minutes. When the game closed Truro had Amherst well in hand. Truro's weakest point seemed that coverpoint did not stay back on his own ice, but played too much in the forward rush, leaving his ice open. For Amherst, Trwaddle and Murray were good men, and Schwartz and Hay for Truro. Frank Stephen of Halifax was referee.

NEW GLASGOW, N. S., Jan. 6.—The first hockey match of the league series was played here tonight between the Crescents of Halifax and the New Glasgow team. A new feature among the officials was a penalty time-keeper, and he was needed, for the referee promptly punished offenders.

Graham shot the first goal for New Glasgow in one and a half minutes. The play was then fast and furious for several minutes, McDougall putting up a great defence for the home team. One of the Crescents' team broke his skate, and this occasioned a ten-minute delay. In two minutes after the play was resumed Williams, late of Charlottetown, scored a second goal for New Glasgow. For twenty-six minutes the spectators were treated to an excellent exhibition of hockey, when Weaver by a pretty play scored the first goal for the visitors, and the halfclosed with the home team one goal ahead. During the first half honors had been pretty evenly divided, but in the second half the excellent condition and long practice of the visiting

THE DEMON OF ILL LUCK WITH NO. 239

The Ill Fated Engine of the I. C. R. is Again in an Accident—Runs into an Open Switch at Newcastle—No Fatalities.

MONCTON, Jan. 10.—(Special).—Considerable interest is aroused in railway circles here over the latest mishap to the hooded engine No. 239 which ran into an open switch at Newcastle with the Maritime Express early on Sunday morning breaking up a postal car.

The locomotive after going through a similar accident at Oxford Junction a few weeks ago was put in the shop here for repairs and was given a trial trip last week.

She was scarcely on the road again, this being her first regular trip when she figures in another accident.

The train was running north at about 45 miles an hour when she dashed into an open switch, precisely the same as at Oxford Junction, the siding being a blind.

Fortunately there were no cars on the siding or the accident would have resulted in a fatality.

As it was the sudden jar broke the steam and air brake coupling connections between the postal car next the engine and the main train.

The air brakes immediately went into effect bringing the train to a standstill. The speed at which the engine was going was sufficient to carry her clean off the rails taking the postal car with her.

There was no damage of consequence outside the breakage of the air and steam connections.

The train was delayed about two hours. Driver Milne was in charge the engine and brought the train into Moncton yesterday none the worse for the experience. No 239 has a long accident record and during the greater part of the time on the road has been in the shops for repairs.

A VIGOROUS KICK OVER A PROPOSAL

HALIFAX, Jan. 9.—(Special).—There is a vigorous kick in Sydney over the proposal to give Shipbuilding company a subsidy of \$250,000 to build yards there.

Some aldermen ask that the city be given first mortgage on the property but the company refuses to do this.

It is asserted that Dominion Coal Co. which is said to be largely interested will afterwards secure the property from the company at merely nominal figures.

A meeting of the council will be held Wednesday night to deal with the question.

BALTIC FLEET TO BE HELD UP

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The Times say: It is still significant that the Russian government has cancelled contracts for two large ship loads of arms and ammunition from Libau to the East Indian archipelago and Saigon, the only inference, the Times concludes, is that the Squadron will not go beyond Diego Suarez Bay.

MUKDEN, Jan. 7.—The Japanese celebrated the incoming of the new year on Jan. 2 and sounds of music could be plainly heard inside the Russian lines. The Japanese tried to combine business with pleasure, and while the festivities were in progress an attack was made upon the village of Vulto, in front of one of their positions. The Russians replied with artillery on their right and centre and prevented the Japanese from occupying the village.



CITY SURVEYOR NICHOLSON

CANADA GOES ON A CRUISE

OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—(Special).—The Canada will sail from Halifax at the beginning of next week for a short cruise to the south. The boat would leave tomorrow but a wheelhouse is being built and will not be finished before the end of the week.

She would take her crew of 75 in most of whom have been five or six years in the Fisheries Protection Service. The cruisers will last until the fishing season on the Canadian Coast opens in the spring.

GIVES GIN TO CHILD WITH FATAL RESULTS

HARTFORD, Jan. 9.—(Special).—Because of the death of his five year old son, Francis from the effects of gin-drinking John Garrity, a teamster has been placed under arrest. The boy's death occurred in the Hartford Hospital to which he was taken from his home on Sunday morning after the police had learned of the case through the child's mother. The father is said to have admitted to the medical examiner that he had given the child a quantity of gin although the boy had not asked for it.

team began to tell, and during the half they scored two goals, but the home team by determined opposition also shot a goal, so that when the bell rang the score stood three all.

Weaver and Hunter shot the goals for the visitors and Williams the New Glasgow goals. The half had been a long one owing to Weaver being injured, and the play stopped twice for him to recover, but both teams pluckily decided to continue the play until either side had scored. In the first ten minutes neither side scored. Play was continued for four ten minute intervals longer before the Crescents obtained the deciding goal.



ROBERT VANDERSTINE, Charlottetown's Efficient City Collector

Laurier Takes Part in the Dispute

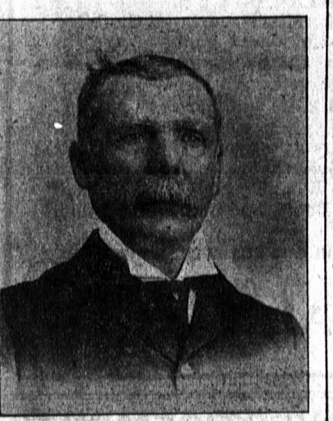
OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—(Special).—Members are gathering for the session. A Conservative caucus will be held tomorrow night and there is little doubt that Bo den will be chosen leader of the party.

Laurier has interfered in the division of seats and has ordered that those in dispute on the Speaker's left be evenly divided.

This arrangement takes away from Conservatives several seats which Whip Taylor claimed.

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HENRY C. DOUSE, Of the Board of Water Commissioners

permanent sidewalks. Many trees were planted and the city has been in general beautified.

In the early part of the year we lost by death Counsellor MacDonald, a gentleman who always took an active part in civic matters. In the month of June the citizens of Charlottetown were shocked to learn of the unexpected death of Chief Hermans of the Fire Department.

In the month of May at the suggestion of the Council I attended the Anti-tuberculosis Association at Ottawa, a society that is doing a great deal of good by the disseminating of literature on the subject as well as having lectures delivered throughout the province. You have already received my report and I hope within the present year a branch of this society will be established in Charlottetown.

At the last civic election the Council, if not actually pledged, gave the impression to the electors that they were favorable to civic ownership of city lighting. Considerable discussion since then has taken place through the press and by the citi-