

INAUGURAL MEETING OF COUNCIL PLANS FOR NEW YEAR DISCUSSED

Several Large Deputations Heard The Vacancies on Boards Filled

East Warders Sought Representation on Court of Revision—Communications and Other Matters of Importance Dealt With at Opening Session.

Evening Post of Jan. 14
The inaugural meeting of the new Council was held on Monday at 11 o'clock. The following signed the declarations of qualification and office, and took their seats:
Mayor James B. Begg,
Deputy-revee J. G. Eyres,
Alderman Geo. E. Rea,
Alderman W. W. Jordan,
Alderman R. J. Campbell,
Alderman Newton Smale,
Alderman M. McGeough,
Alderman Hughill Dobson,
Alderman Geo. Calvert.

INAUGURAL ADDRESS
Mayor Begg at the opening meeting in the morning congratulated his colleagues on their success at the polls, he believed also that the town was to be congratulated on the quality of the men chosen.
When receiving deputations and delegations, full consideration should be given to all views advanced, but the requests and petitions made should be dealt with in an unbiased way, and in the best interests of the town. Too much importance should not be attached to articles in the press. Chairmen of committees should be selected with great care. If the members kept economy and the town's best interests always in view the Council would have a creditable record at the year's end.

THE RESPECTIVE CHAIRMEN
After the brief inaugural address from Mayor Begg, the following chairmen were appointed:
Moved by Reeve Jordan, seconded by Dep. Reeve Eyres, that Ald. Rea be chairman of the Board of Works.—Carried.
Moved by Ald. W. Jordan, seconded by Ald. Rea, that Dep. Reeve Eyres be chairman of Finance committee.—Carried.
Moved by Reeve Jordan, seconded by Ald. Rea, that Ald. McGeough be chairman of Police and Lighting committee.—Carried.
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Moved by Dep. Reeve Eyres, seconded by Ald. Jordan, that the chairmen of the different committees, with the mayor, constitute the Court of Revision.—Carried.

Ald. Dobson, when the personnel of the Court of Revision was outlined, moved that a representative of the east ward be added—he didn't think it was fair to exclude that section. Ald. Calvert seconded the motion.

Mayor Begg explained that it was now too late to move in the matter, the committee having been named. He did not think the east ward would suffer in any way, because all the members were pledged to do the fair thing by everybody.

THANKS AND PROMISES.
Dep. Reeve Eyres thanked his colleagues for re-appointing him to his old position as chairman of Finance—he regarded their action as a mark of honor and trust, and it would encourage him in his desire to do the very best thing for the people he had been elected to serve. He was not at his best in a campaign speech, nor did he intend to make too many promises, but he would try honestly and persistently to make the finances of the town go as far as possible, and he believed that in his efforts to do so he would have the active co-operation of the mayor and other members. It was most important that the expenditure be kept down to the lowest notch. In saying that he didn't mean that they should miserably—he recognized the truth of the old adage, "For lack of a nail the shoe was lost, and for want of a shoe the horse was lost." He was in favor of making a start this year if possible on the permanent improvement of our roadways, commencing at the G.T.R. station, he would also like to see the town industrial classes afforded better protection against the aggressions of outsiders. The town's future was really brighter than many citizens supposed—in a few years some heavy liabilities will have been paid off, and we shall then be able to place everything on a firmer footing while enjoying a much lower tax rate.

Ald. Rea said he would have preferred to be released from the chairmanship of the Board of Works—he felt he had done his share, but preference had been brought to bear which resulted in his coming back. Last year he had been given only \$2500, and small as the amount was he had only exceeded it by some \$45; this year he hoped he would be treated more generously. He felt grateful to the people of the town for returning him at the head of the poll.

Ald. McGeough said he was grateful to his fellow citizens for re-electing him, and to his fellow members for restoring him to his old position at the head of the Police and Lighting committee. A number of petitions for electric lights had come before last year's Council and had been referred to the new body—these would have to receive their careful consideration. He would like the Council to go around in a body some dark night and examine the locations carefully. Many streets are in bad shape, and he would like the Board of Works to get \$2000 on \$2500 extra this year—if expended as carefully as last year's appropriation it would be well spent indeed.

Ald. W. W. Jordan felt grateful for the confidence expressed in his appointment to the important position of chairman of Town Property. He hoped there would be a little money left for that body—he intended to see that that department was well looked after. He believed that Ald. Rea should be held within bounds and not be permitted to depend on receiving aid from the funds of other committees.

Ald. Smale made a brief but timely reference to the importance of cooperation, which he hoped would never be absent from their deliberations during the year.

Ald. Campbell said a few well-chosen things along the same line.

Reeve Jordan said his friends had given him strong backing in his election because there had been a strong movement against him on the part of others. Those who were so interested in his welfare had received a slap in the face which he hoped they would remember. The chairmen of committees had spoken well, and if they followed out their professions and kept within their bounds in their expenditures all would go well.

Alderman Calvert and Dobson also spoke briefly. Council then adjourned till 7.30.

EVENING SESSION

Two Large Deputations Heard—Other Business Dealt With.

Council reassembled at 7.30 sharp, Mayor Begg in the chair and all members present.

A communication was read from Messrs. Fleury and Lindsay, assessors, applying for reappointment, at that position.

Mr. J. P. Berry was heard in opposition to the Poultry Association's request for a grant and use of the Council chamber. Chickengox was prevalent.

From Ontario Municipal Association, relative to concerted action to secure the amendment of Sec. 606 of the Ontario Statutes, re liability for accidents on highways. A petition bearing on the matter was endorsed and set for forwarding to Mr. S. J. Fox, M.P.P.

From Manager Bank of Montreal, with reference to an excess amount of \$6000 odd under discounts.—Finance committee.

From J. P. Donald, secretary Board of Trade, with reference to the discussion relative to separation from the County. All were agreed the town is paying more than its fair share, and the matter had been referred by the full Board to the Council in the hope that some corresponding allowances would be secured from the County.—Referred to Finance committee.

From Rider & Kitchener Co., enclosing wage statement in compliance with by-law granting exemption from taxation.

The Clerk read an extract from the minutes of 1907 Council recommending to the favorable consideration of the incoming body a request from the Lindsay Poultry Association for a \$50 grant in aid of this year's exhibition, and a guarantee of \$50.

From R. G. Cornhill, sec.-treas. Farmers' Mutual Fire Ins. Co., asking for use of Council chamber for the annual meeting on Feb. 6th.—Granted.

From Municipal World, with reference to renewal of subscriptions.—Usual number of copies ordered.

From Wm. Stocker, applying for a billiard and pool license.—Mayor Begg—"Better deal with this now as I understand he is anxious to go ahead at once.—License approved, on motion of Alderman Rea and Calvert. A number of accounts were read and referred to the proper committees.

The report of Chief of Police Vincent for 1907 was referred to the Police committee.

Several by-laws dealing with vacancies on the School, Public Library,

and Health Boards were given their first readings.

POULTRY MEN HEARD.
At this stage of the proceedings a large deputation of poultry men entered the chamber, and were graciously accorded permission to speak.

Mr. Johnston Ellis, the president, led off. He briefly explained the object of their visit, and said that if granted the same assistance as last year they would be able to pull through and hold a successful show.

Mr. J. O'Reilly, ex-Alderman, was the next speaker. After referring to the cordial endorsement given their request by the outgoing Council, Mr. O'Reilly referred to the splendid work done by the Show in advertising the town throughout the province, and even beyond it. In reply to Ald. Smale Mr. O'Reilly explained that the management would have \$90 granted by the County Council, as well as entry fees from exhibitors, admissions, etc.

Mr. D. C. Trow pointed out that in many towns and cities such shows were held in the best halls. The Council chamber would not suffer in any way if granted for the exhibition.

Ald. McGeough—"I bought a ticket, like the rest of the aldermen. I guess. Does that make us stockholders?"

President Ellis (unthinkingly)—"Yes."

Ald. McGeough—"Well, in that case it will be illegal to vote, money—it will be for our benefit." (Laughter.)

Ald. Rea said the money would go to a good cause, but when voting it last year he had hoped the Society would be self-supporting this year. However, while willing to vote the money again, he didn't like the idea of being the Council chamber.

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The committee then rose, after which the respective by-laws were given at first reading.

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OBITUARY.

Margaret Jane Widdess, Lindsay.

Many old friends of the family were shocked on hearing of the demise of Mrs. Margaret Jane Widdess, a relative of the late Robert Widdess, at the age of 69 years. The deceased lady contracted a severe cold a little over a week ago, which developed into pneumonia, and despite all the medical aid could do she sank gradually until the end came at 6 o'clock Monday morning.

The deceased was born in the township of Cartwright, and a little over 30 years ago she removed to Lindsay, with her husband, who followed up his occupation of building and contracting. She was loved by many for her sterling virtues and benevolent disposition. The husband, predeceased her about ten months, having passed away suddenly on Friday of last year.

Mrs. Widdess leaves a family of three daughters and one son—Mrs. Bewell, Winnipeg; Mrs. Robertson, Belleville; Mrs. Brown, Moose Jaw; and William R., of this town. They will have the sympathy of our citizens in their sad bereavement.

William Hancock, Little Britain.

We regret to note the death of Mr. William Hancock, who died on Nov. 27th, at the age of 74 years and 3 months. He had not been well for a year or so. A few days before his death he sent for his brother Benjamin, and wife; they went in haste and found him very poorly; he told them he thought the Lord was calling for him, and he was waiting and ready to go. He made all arrangements about his funeral. Mrs. B. Hancock remained and did all that loving hands could do. Dr. Hall visited him several times, and a host of neighbors and friends were ready to do all they could for him, but to no avail. His end was near.

The deceased was born in Milton, Darncliffe, Devon, England, and came to Canada in 1870. He settled in Mariposa, where he remained until his death. He followed farming for about twenty-five years and then came to Little Britain and retired. His wife, Elizabeth, died nine years ago. He was a flower and poultry lover, and many times was appointed judge at the fall fairs, and also at the Lindsay Central for swine and poultry, always giving good satisfaction, as he well understood the breeds of poultry. In politics he was a Liberal and in his everyday life an honest man—his word was his bond up to the last. He leaves two brothers and one sister to mourn his loss—Thomas, in Plymouth, England; Sarah, in Bridgford, Eng.; and Benjamin, in Mariposa.

The body now lies in a brick-walled grave beside his wife in the Christian cemetery, Little Britain. The Rev. Mr. Henner, conducted the funeral service, assisted by Rev. Mr. Moore, in the presence of a large congregation. Both gentlemen had visited the deceased, and both spoke well of him. He will be much missed in the village, and will be more missed in the spring—when he was wont to distribute flowers and seeds among his neighbors.—(Com.)

SUNDAY MATTERS.
The town Property committee will consider a report made by Mr. Naylor for the rental of the Council chamber once a week for a dancing class.

At the suggestion of Mayor Begg, Ald. Rea was authorized to purchase sufficient stones for next year's grand olithic walks, and have same delivered where needed. "Employ town teams," cautioned his Worship.

Snow plow matters were discussed for a few minutes prior to adjournment, which took place at 10.30.

CORRESPONDENT'S LETTERS
WOODVILLE
(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Mr. Chris. Anderson, formerly of this town, but now of Abernethy, Sask., in renewing old acquaintances here this week.

Miss Jessie Bingham, of Cannington, was the guest of Mrs. D. Bingham on Monday.

Miss Alma Smith paid a flying visit to Cannington last week.

Mr. Reuben Thomas visited friends in Lindsay on Saturday.

Miss Alda Campbell was in Cannington on Tuesday.

Miss Moore, our junior teacher, and Miss Florence Moore were the guests of Mrs. (Rev.) Mounter at Cannington on Saturday.

Mrs. Harb. Coak of Lorneville, and Mrs. Reub. Thomas, of this town, attended the funeral of their grandfather, Col. Button, on Saturday last week at Louist Hill.

Mr. Bert Prouse paid our burg a flying visit on Wednesday.

Miss E. Thomas is visiting friends in Okwood and Linden Valley this week.

Mr. Les. Love left Tuesday for Toronto, where he intends taking a position.

Mrs. J. W. Smith visited friends in Okwood on Saturday.

Mr. Wm. Newman left on Wednesday for the Northwest, where he will lecture in the interest of the Farmers' Institute.

Owing to the stormy weather on Sunday the attendance was very small.

The prayer services of last week were well attended each evening. The Revs. Kinnawin and Whattam conducted the services.

Our rink is booming under the auspices of the band and management of Mr. Byron Bowjins. A large sleigh-load from Eldon were here on Monday evening.

Miss E. Johnston visited her parents in Riverview over Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Wakelin, of Norland, is visiting her cousin, Miss Ruby Bowjins.

Miss Clara Rich has returned to her home, after spending a few days with her brother, Mr. Will Rich.

ALL SICK WOMEN

SHOULD READ MISS SCHWALM'S LETTER

In All Parts of Canada Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Has Effected Similar Cures.

Many wonderful cures of female ills are continually coming to light which have been brought about by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and



Miss A.E. Schwalm

through the advice of Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., which is given to make women absolutely free of charge.

The present Mrs. Pinkham has for twenty-five years made a study of the ills of her sex; she has consulted with and advised thousands of suffering women, who today owe not only their health but even life to her helpful advice.

Miss Annie E. Schwalm, of 336 Spadina Ave., Toronto, Ont., writes:

Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—
"I have found Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a specific for female weakness with which I have been troubled for years. I also had irregular and painful periods which affected my general health until last spring. I was only a wreck of my former self. In my affliction I was advised to use your Compound, and am so glad that I did so. I found that in a few short months there was no trace of female weakness, my strength gradually returned, and in a very short time I considered myself a perfectly well woman. I appreciate my good health, and beg to assure you that I am most grateful to you for discovering such a wonderful remedy for suffering women."

The testimonials which we are constantly publishing from grateful women establish beyond a doubt the power of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to conquer female diseases.

Women suffering from any form of female weakness are invited to promptly communicate with Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. She asks nothing in return for her advice. It is absolutely free, and to thousands of women has proved to be more precious than gold.

COUNTY TREASURER'S SALE OF LANDS FOR TAXES.

Notice is hereby given:

1. That the list of lands in the County of Victoria, for sale for arrears of taxes has been prepared, and that copies of the said list may be had in my office in the Court House in the Town of Lindsay.

2. That the said list will be published in the Ontario Gazette on Nov. 16th, Nov. 23rd, Nov. 30th and Dec. 7th, 1907.

3. That in default of payment of the taxes, the lands will be sold at the Court House, Lindsay, on Wednesday, February 19th, 1908, at 11 o'clock a.m.

J. J. McNEILLIE,
County Treasurer.
County Treasurer's Office, Lindsay
November 12th, 1907.

Mitchell spent Monday in Lindsay with Mrs. Meagher.

Mrs. MacFadden returned from Bonaville on Saturday last.

Miss Irene Mitchell left on Monday to resume her studies in the Sacred Heart convent, Montreal.

At the open air rink in the village the boys are kept busy clearing the ice of snow every day to enjoy a couple of hours' skating at night.

MOUNT PLEASANT
Will the Mount Pleasant correspondent please send in his name in order that supplies may be forwarded? The record containing his name has been misplaced.