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MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT BY COMMISSION

Mr. W. H. Moore, of Peterboro, brother of County Magistrate F. D. Moore, K.C., of Lindsay, in writing on the question of Municipal Government by a Commission in the Peterboro Examiner contents for:

(1) A three years' term; (2) the council reduced to a Mayor and four aldermen, elected by the city at large; (3) members paid reasonable compensation for their services; (4) a paid commission created by the council, (or by the people) for operation of the duties of one of the most important departments of town's work, namely the Board of Works, for a term of not less than three years, or longer, with a reserved power of recall, and which commission, except in the matter of the amount of annual expenditure and general outline of action, to be separate from and altogether independent of the council. Other departments could be dealt with in the same way if thought well of. A recent writer says properly that the Waterworks Commission only operates a department of city work. He approves of the conduct and work of the commission. I have named another department almost of equal importance. Why not deal with it likewise? Is there such a contrast between them that similar results would never occur? If so, what is it? I consider this vital, and look for a reply. That the members of our public city bodies should not be indemnified for sacrifice of time, while county and township councils, and the larger city councils are, is an absurdity, and beyond explanation, except as a remnant of a former false notion in economy that must be removed. So long as this discrimination remains there will be little improvement no matter what the time of the proper man to fill from our city government takes. The duties required is now-a-days too precious to be given to the public for nothing. If selected and not paid very superficial attention will, as in the past, be given. When the individual is paid for his time, in return for his labor, he is placed on an equality with others who make no sacrifice. The sooner we recognize this view of the matter, the earlier will the people cease to complain of the shortcomings of those who serve us.

PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

There seems to be no two opinions as to the desirability of public ownership of public utilities; but there is room for difference of opinion in regard to the advisability of public operation of public utilities says the Peterboro Examiner. In the large sphere of Dominion administration, public operation of railways has not been a conspicuous success. In the provincial domain it is equally contradicted, while in the municipal arena, public, that is, municipal, operation, is not to be thought of. In the latter field there are many examples of great success of municipal ownership, but only when operation has been entrusted to an independent commission. The Dominion Railway Commission is a strong example of the benefits of administration by commission. In respect of railways, telegraph, telephone, and express utilities, through the jurisdiction and action of the Railway Commission, the public interests are

SEASON'S GREETINGS

To all our friends and patrons who have helped to make this the banner year of our business career, we wish to show our appreciation for the confidence reposed in us, and wish for all, every good thing at this Christmas season, and great prosperity for

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as effectively guarded and promoted as would be possible under Government administration pure and simple and of the most successful character. The express companies, which it is alleged, are making inordinate profits upon a small capitalization, have been brought under the regime of the Commission with wholesome results to the public. Over capitalization cannot very successfully elude the searchlight of the Commission. It is no unsafe ground to take to regard the Railway Commission as a satisfactory and effective substitute for government operation of public services. We have a local example in our Waterworks Commission, which has, so far, administered our water works with a success which the boldest would not claim for municipal management.

Hot Elections in Ops Township

There was a warm municipal contest in Ops township Monday, and it evoked considerable excitement. In the three-cornered fight for the reeveship Mr. Peter Hawkins won over his opponents by a snug majority. In the election for Councillors there was a merry race. Messrs. Best Hickson, Terrill and Waldon being elected. Following are the returns:

Table with columns for candidates: Hawkins, Patterson, Wilson, Best, Hickson, Sloan, Terrill, Waldon. Lists votes for each ward and total majority.

Golden Wedding At Cambray

On Monday the village of Cambray was the scene of an interesting event when Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Arksey honored and respected residents of that place, celebrated their golden wedding. The event was attended by the children and grandchildren of the venerable couple, who were showered with congratulations.

Mr. Arksey was born in Yorkshire, England, and is 84 years of age. His wife, whose maiden name was Sarah Jewett, is aged 81 years. They were united in marriage at Lindsay fifty years ago Monday. During the afternoon the old couple were the recipients of the following presentation: "Dear Father and Mother—Your children are here to-day to celebrate an event in your lives that so few have the privilege. You have lived together as husband and wife for fifty years. We are proud to be here, children and grandchildren, to wish you a long life of happiness. We ask you to accept these chairs as a small token of the esteem in which you are held."

Signed on behalf of your children—Fred Arksey, Hill Head, Ops; Geo. Arksey, Cannington; Mrs. Albert Hardy, Ops; Mrs. Robt. Wickham, of Toronto; Mrs. Henry McKee, Sask.; Mr. Walter Arksey, Lindsay; Mr. Will Arksey, Cambray; Mrs. Albert Worsley, Fenelon Falls; Mr. Albot Arksey, Lindsay.

The Results in Emily Township

The municipal elections in Emily township aroused considerable interest, especially the contest between Messrs. Cornell and Cottingham for the reeveship. Mr. Cornell winning by a small majority. The councillors elected were: Messrs. Fee, Wilby, Herlihey and Cessw.

Committed to Asylum Noah Miller, the young man who was tried before the recent session of the County Court on the charge of incest, was this morning committed to an insane asylum by His Honor Judge Harding.

HARD FOUGHT MUNICIPAL CONTEST VERY LARGE VOTE BROUGHT OUT

The good old town of Lindsay has witnessed many exciting municipal elections in her history, but the one pulled off Monday was certainly as hot and interesting a contest as the municipality ever held.

The people, by their votes, have shown their preference for Mr. R. M. Beal as Mayor, over Dr. Wood, his opponent. Furthermore, they have selected Mr. Hugal Dobson as Second Deputy Reeve in place of Mr. Richard Kylie. The will of the people must prevail. They have spoken.

The day was a favorable one for bringing out a large vote, the New Year being ushered in with a January thaw, while the weather had a spring like touch to it. The workers of the different candidates were out bright and early, and when the different polls opened at nine o'clock there were already vehicles at the doors, loaded down with voters. The vote brought out was a big one, and an unusually large number of ladies marked their ballots for their favorite candidates. All day long the workers drove their horses after voters, and the excitement kept up without interruption until the polls closed.

SPLENDID ORGANIZATION

Mr. R. M. Beal, the successful candidate, had a splendid organization at his back. He had many old campaigners working for him, more especially in the east and south wards, and they knew how to get the vote out and got it. This was especially the case in the East Ward, where Mr. Beal had a majority of 161 over Dr. Wood. In the South Ward the doctor was eight under, but he had a majority of 115 in the North Ward. Mr. R. M. Beal captured the working men's vote in bulk, besides polling a very tidy vote among the other classes of our citizens. He also got a splendid female vote. His majority over Dr. Wood (54 votes), is not large, but it shows that the friends of both candidates worked hard and got out every get-at-able vote in the town.

The supporters of Dr. Wood worked equally as hard as those championing Mr. Beal, and it was not until late in the afternoon that some of the most sanguine began to grow dubious as to the outcome. They were up against a force splendidly organized, for it is a well known fact that Mr. Beal's friends got busy immediately after the nomination meeting, and instituted a thorough canvass, which had its effect on polling day. They were into the fight from the drop of the hat, and conducted a quiet, but vigorous campaign.

A short time after the polls had closed the citizens began to gather on the streets anxious to hear the results. The town clerk's office was soon filled with an expectant crowd, all wanting to learn the news. They had not long to wait, for a phone message was received from South Ward No. 3, which gave Dr. Wood two of a majority over Mr. Beal.

This was followed by the returns from No. 2 of the same ward, giving 10 of a majority for Mr. Beal. "It's all up with the doctor," remarked someone, and another citizen prophesied Mr. Kylie's defeat, when South Ward No. 2 was heard from, with a majority of 33 in favor of Mr. Dobson.

The returns from the other polling booths came in at frequent intervals and it was soon known for an absolute certainty that Mr. Beal would be Mayor for 1911. The Council Chamber was the last place heard from, and it gave a majority of 39 for the doctor—not enough to offset the lead which Mr. Beal had obtained. The following figures tell the story:

Table with columns: FOR MAYOR (Beal, Wood), FOR COUNCIL (Hickson, Sloan, Terrill, Waldon), and Majority for Beal 54.

HUGAL DOBSON'S VICTORY. The people were treated to another surprise in the defeat of Mr. Richard Kylie for the Second Deputy-Reeveship. A year ago Mr. Dobson bumped up against that gentleman for the same position but was buried in an avalanche of some three hundred votes. This year he opposed Mr. Kylie again and triumphed to the tune of 162 of a majority.

The defeat of Mr. Kylie came as a huge surprise to his supporters. He was looked upon as a strong man and it was felt that his years of service in the interests of the town would have stood him in good stead. In his defeat the municipality loses the services of a representative who rendered yeoman service to the town.



REEVE BYNG. Re-elected Monday in Bobcaygeon Village.

Another east ward worker said: "Mr. Kylie was the father of the William-st. pavement, and the poor man in the East Ward has to wade through muddy roads while a few were favored with a pavement. We get no benefit from it, but have got to pay for it just the same. That pavement killed him in our ward."

So much for the East Ward, where Mr. Dobson got his big vote in the North Ward, where it was expected Mr. Kylie would do well, he was defeated by Mr. Dobson by 9 votes. In the South Ward, another supposed stronghold, he was defeated by 52 of a majority, while in the East Ward he only polled 82 votes, as against Mr. Dobson's 134. It would appear, therefore, from the vote of the citizens in the different wards that the determination on their part to defeat the members of last year's council was pretty general. That "Time for a change" cry, which did service in larger contests, was acted upon with telling effect in the fight for the deputy-reeveship. Mr. Dobson conducted a very vigorous canvass, while Mr. Kylie was satisfied to let his record speak for itself. He only secured a majority in two polling subdivisions at No. 3 South Ward and at the Council Chamber, North Ward. Mr. Dobson's majority was 162. Following are the figures:

Table with columns: SECOND DEPUTY-REEVE (Dobson, Kylie), LAST YEAR'S VOTE (Reeve, Dobson, Kylie), FOR MAYOR (Beal, Wood), and FOR COUNCIL (Hickson, Sloan, Terrill, Waldon).

MISER'S TRAGIC END A Man with \$1,500 in the Bank Starved Himself to Death in England "Death from heart disease, accelerated by wilful starvation," was the unusual verdict returned at an inquest on Charles Bayliss, 68, of Newtown, Manchester, who was found dead in bed. A son-in-law said that Bayliss had about \$1,500 in the bank, but he refused to buy food, and witness had given him meals on many occasions. Bayliss was found at the top of the stairs, having apparently fallen out of bed. Other evidence showed that Bayliss would not part with his money for food, rent, or coal, and he had refused to see a doctor. He had been strange in his manner since the death of his wife, twelve months ago. He would not change his clothes, and had lived in a miserly way, often depending on his neighbors for a crust of bread. He had even allowed a man out of work to provide him with food. A doctor stated that the body was very dirty and very emaciated. There was very little blood in the veins, and practically no fat on the body. Death had been hastened by insufficient food.

SCHOOL TRUSTEE East Ward—Staples Anderson

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