



## **Parish Council**

### **The Assistant Overseership**

An ordinary meeting of the Parish Council was held on Thursday, October 6, Colonel Turnor in the chair. All the members were present. Although Mr. Jones' appointment as assistant overseer had been revoked, and Mr. Brinkworth appointed to succeed him at a previous meeting, the business had not been legally transacted, and had to be done over again. Much indignation has been expressed in the parish over the action of the Parish Council, as Mr. Jones, although afflicted, has performed his duties satisfactorily to the ratepayers generally and the overseers, and his accounts have always been passed by the auditor. The only complaint came from the Finance Committee of the Malmesbury Union.

Councillor Lister proposed that Mr. Jones' appointment be revoked.

Councillor Rev. W. Symonds seconded.

Councillor Parkinson proposed Mr. Brinkworth to succeed Mr. Jones;

Councillor Lister seconded.

The following gentlemen voted for the above proposals: Councillors A. Lister, A. L. Parkinson, J. Fry, Rev. William Symonds, G. Beak, G. Platt, Colonel Turnor (7).

To both of these proposals Councillor Moses Neal moved amendments, first, that Mr. Jones' appointment be not revoked, and second, that the appointment of Mr. Brinkworth stand over till March next.

Councillors C. Sainsbury seconded the first amendment, and R. Matthews the second.

For both amendments there voted Councillors Moses Neal, C. Sainsbury, R. Matthews, C. Bridgman, W. Elsip, S. Smith, R. Goulding (7).

The numbers being equal, the Chairman gave his casting vote against the amendments, and declared Mr. Roland Brinkworth duly elected assistant overseer.

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