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DR. E. A. SPILSBURY

Late Clinical Assistant, Hospital for Diseases of the Throat and Nose, Golden Square, and Aural Department of St. Mary's Hospital, London, England. OFFICE, 279 COLLEGE AVENUE, TORONTO. Oct. 17, 1888.—19-tf.

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LOCAL MATTERS.

VICTORIA COUNTY COUNCIL.

January Session—Dr. Cornwall of Omemee Elected Warden.

The January session of the Victoria county council opened last Tuesday afternoon with a full attendance of reeves. The following gentlemen answered the roll:

Elias Bowes	Reeve	Mariposa
Dr. Vrooman	1st deputy	Mariposa
John J. Fee	2nd deputy	Mariposa
E. H. Hopkins	Reeve	Ops
D. Walker	Deputy	Ops
Geo. Crandell	Reeve	Lindsay
T. S. Williams	1st deputy	Lindsay
D. Ray	2nd deputy	Lindsay
T. H. McQuade	Reeve	Emily
W. C. Switzer	Deputy	Emily
Dr. Cornwall	Reeve	Omemee
Chas. Fairbairn	Reeve	Verulam
Jas. Lithgow	Deputy	Verulam
E. Bottum	Reeve	Bobcaygeon
John Daniel	Reeve	Fenelon
M. H. Berkeley	Deputy	Fenelon
John Austin	Reeve	Fenelon Falls
A. E. Staback	Reeve	Eldon
D. A. McIntyre	Deputy	Eldon
Wm. Cameron	Reeve	Woodville
Wm. Taylor	Reeve	Carden
N. Heaslip	Reeve	Bexley
John Fell	Reeve	Somerville
John Bailey	Reeve	Laxton
Joseph Thompson	Reeve	Dalton

The clerk called upon the council to elect a warden for 1889, and the following nominations were made:

Dr. Cornwall by Mr. Heaslip, seconded by Mr. Fairbairn.

Mr. Hopkins by Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Berkeley.

On a vote being taken seventeen names (a majority) were recorded for Dr. Cornwall, and he was declared elected. He was escorted to the chair by his mover and seconder, and "gowned." After making the usual declaration of office the warden in a few happy remarks expressed his acknowledgement of the honor conferred upon him.

A SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. HOPKINS, seconded by Mr. DANIEL, the following members were appointed a special committee to draft the standing committees for the current year: Messrs. Fell, Fairbairn, Crandell, McQuade, Walker, Bowes, Heaslip and Daniel.

The council then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The council resumed Wednesday morning at 11, with the warden in the chair and all the members present.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A number of communications were read by the warden and referred to committees. Among them were letters from Messrs. W. A. Silverwood and Thos. A. Davidson, declining re-appointment as trustees of the Oakwood high school.

PETITIONS.

Mr. LITHGOW presented the petition of John Braden and 134 others, praying that a sufficient sum be granted to assist the county council of Peterboro in repairing Pigeon creek for public travel.—Referred to committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. FELL presented a petition from A. H. Carl and 20 others, praying that a high school be established at the village of Coboconk......Mr. HEASLIP presented a petition from A. B. LeRoy and 31 others, for a similar object.—Referred to education committee.

Mr. THOMPSON presented a petition from C. M. Osterhout and 54 others, praying that a sum of money be granted to build a bridge over Head river on 1st con. of Dalton.—Referred to committee on roads and bridges.

AUDITORS.

Messrs. Samuel Irwin and John Daniel were appointed auditors of accounts for the administration of justice......Messrs. Samuel Irwin and L. Maguire were appointed county auditors.

NEW BATTALION.

On motion of Mr. FELL, seconded by Mr. HEASLIP, a petition to the minister of militia respecting the establishment of a battalion of active militia in the county of Victoria, with headquarters at Lindsay, and the erection of a drill shed at Lindsay, was introduced and adopted in the usual form.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. BOWES introduced the report of the special committee appointed to draft the standing committees. The report was adopted.

The council then adjourned to Thursday.

LINDSAY TOWN COUNCIL.

MAKING THE DECLARATIONS OF OFFICE—ARRANGING THE VARIOUS COMMITTEES—APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—A LIVELY EVENING SESSION.

Precisely at the hour of eleven o'clock Monday morning last the pick and choice of the intelligent electors at the recent municipal contest filed into the council chamber and presented themselves before Mr. J. B. Knowlson, town clerk, in order to make the necessary declarations before taking their seats. Each member's face was illumined at intervals with a self-satisfied smile, that, correctly interpreted, read: "We got thar."

The following gentlemen were present and compose the council for 1889:—Mayor, T. Walters; reeve, Geo. Crandell; 1st dep.-reeve, T. S. Williams; 2nd dep.-reeve, D. Ray; councillors—East ward: Geo. Bryans, A. Ross, W. B. Fee; South ward: H. B. Dean, John Flurey, J. Brown; North ward: Robt. Touchburn, J. Comstock, and S. Parsons.

It was decided to draft the various committees and transact some other business in order to lighten the labors at the evening session, and the good work went on with a smoothness befitting the occasion and auguring well for future sessions. The following members will compose the several committees, their names having been received with the greatest unanimity:—

Streets and Bridges—Robert Touchburn, chairman; Deputy-reeve Williams, Couns. Bryans, Parsons, Fee and Brown.

Town Property—Dep.-reeve Williams, chairman; Dep.-reeve Ray, Couns. Parsons, Flurey and Ross.

Fire and Water—Dep.-reeve Ray, chairman; Reeve Crandell, Couns. Comstock, Flurey, Bryans and Brown.

Police—Coun. Brown, chairman; Reeve Crandell, Dep.-reeve Williams, Couns. Flurey, Comstock and Dean.

Legislative—Coun. Dean, chairman; Reeve Crandell, Dep.-reeve Williams, Dep.-reeve Ray, Couns. Touchburn and Fee.

Finance—Dep.-reeve Ray, chairman; made up by the chairmen of all other committees, with the name of Coun. Flurey added.

Auditors—Mr. D. C. Trew, by Mayor Walters; Mr. J. J. Wheeler by the council.

By-law No. 543, to appoint school trustees in the room and stead of Mr. S. A. McMurtry, who had resigned and removed from town, and Mr. J. D. Flavelle, whose term of office had expired; also by-law No. 544, to appoint members of a board of health for the current year, were then introduced. Mr. Thos. Stewart was appointed trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. McMurtry; Mr. J. D. Flavelle was re-appointed. The members of the retiring board of health were tendered a well-deserved compliment by being re-appointed for the present year. The by-laws were then put through the usual routine and passed.

Mayor WALTERS announced that the members of the council had been tendered an invitation by the school board to be present at the opening of the new collegiate institute on Tuesday afternoon and evening, and intimated that the members of the county council would also be present.

An adjournment was then proclaimed until 7.30 in the evening.

The Evening Meeting.

Promptly at the hour of 7.45 p.m. Mayor Walters again took the chair, when there were present: Reeve Crandell, Dep.-reeves Williams and Ray, and Couns. Flurey, Brown, Touchburn, Comstock, Parsons, Ross, Bryans and Fee.

Mayor WALTERS arose and said, before entering upon the business of the evening he had intended making a few remarks upon certain subjects, but he would defer them to some future occasion. He would remind the council, however, that the expenditures of last year on account of the hospital, home for the aged, dumping ground, and other necessary purposes would lead to a large saving in this year's expenses. Referring briefly to the late municipal contest, he stated that a number of falsehoods disseminated by certain parties had no doubt cost him the support of many friends. He was aware that one of the falsehoods was based upon a recent communication from Mr. G. A. Weese of Toronto regarding the establishment of a hat factory in the town, and was to the effect that he (Mayor Walters) had ignored the same entirely. Mr. Weese had been communicated with at once, and upon request the clerk read the letter. It would be necessary, Mayor Walters said, to appoint a town physician at a future meeting, and the appointment of a park and garden committee might be advisable now that the town had secured the freedom of the agricultural park for the citizens. It would also be wise to appoint a special committee to deal with the matter of licenses as well, in case the Scott act was repealed.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From the central charity committee stating that the funds placed at the disposal of the committee by the council of 1888 were about exhausted, and asking for the usual grant of $125 to replenish the exchequer.—Laid on table.

Reeve CRANDELL said he could not see where all the money granted went to. Calls were made for $125 and $150 with great regularity, and finally the council was approached with regard to the "Home for the aged." They had been told that a large saving could be effected by this means, and the poor would be better cared for. He understood, however, that there were very few people in the Home, but grocery and other bills showed no diminution. The ratepayers, he thought, would not put up with such expenditure any longer.

Mayor WALTERS asked Reeve Crandell to think well before he impugned the conduct and laudable efforts of the members of the charity committee. Ladies and gentlemen acted upon that committee whose names placed them beyond reach of insinuation, and whose resignation would be a severe loss to the town......Reeve CRANDELL said he gave credit for good intentions, but it was a matter in which the strictest scrutiny ought to be exercised.

From A. McDonell, stating that he had been taxed for $1,200 income, and giving reasons for holding that the same was illegal.—Referred to finance committee.

From Mr. Wm. Guiry, referring to a matter of increase of assessment upon a lane owned by him; also from Mr. Downie of Ops, asking for exemption from taxation in the case of an engine and boiler owned by him for the reason that he had received no rent for same.—Both received, to be handed to the court of revision when appointed.

The resolution of the court of revision regarding the claim made by Mr. J. Dovey for exemption in the case of his shingle mill was read, as was also the clause of the by-law bearing upon his case. It was held that Mr. Dovey had complied with the necessary conditions.

A MASKED BATTERY.

Reeve CRANDELL stood up and said he intended bringing in a motion to repeal the dog by-law, but in the meantime begged the attention of "de members" while he stated the position in which he found himself. When he took his seat as reeve of the town during the day he thought he was among gentlemen, but he discovered at the very outset that there was already a clique formed similar to that in existence last year. He had been willing to bury the hatchet, but such was not the wish, apparently, of some of the members. He did not care a jot about the matter, but after the conduct of some of the members during the day he did not hesitate to say that he would not hang a dog upon their evidence. He had been shelved out of the chairmanship of every committee—an office which his position as reeve of the town entitled him to. One gentleman had been honored by being appointed the chairman of two committees. He had been made aware of the plans and schemes directed against him. His hands were now free, however, and he fairly warned the members of the council that he would watch them as a cat does a mouse......Reeve CRANDELL then read his resolution repealing the dog by-law—afterwards replaced by one crafted by Dep.-reeve Ray, with a few changes inserted.

A BATCH OF BY-LAWS.

By-laws No. 546, to extend the time for the collection of outstanding taxes until the 18th of Feb. next; No. 545, repealing the famous dog by-law, and all amendments thereto, were put through the usual routine and passed.

A REBATE WANTED.

Reeve CRANDELL, after requesting Coun. Bryans to retire into the the "outer darkness" of the police court chamber for a time, reminded the council again of the severe loss suffered by Mr. Geo. Bryans last summer by the destruction of his stable and horses, barn and crops by fire, and held that the rebate granted by the court of revision upon personal property was inadequate to the needs of the case. It had been held by last year's council that any further assistance would have to be given under the head of charity. This he held to be repugnant, and said that Mr. Bryans had paid taxes for years for the fire and water system and deserved the aid asked as a right, rather than as a charity grant. He would not refer to the duties of the fire company or to the amount that might have been saved to Mr. Bryans by proper performance of duties upon the occasion he referred to. He would move, seconded by Coun. Ross, that Mr. Bryans' taxes be remitted to the extent of $30......Mayor WALTERS said that this question had been given a deal of attention previously. Although not a lawyer he believed from a study of the statutes that the council could not legally grant the rebate asked unless as a charity grant....Reeve CRANDELL held that similar rebates had been previously passed, and Mr. Bryans' was a case that especially appealed for assistance by the method proposed. It was well known that the fire company had been derelict in their duty upon this occasion and had not even appeared to render such assistance as might be necessary—thereby causing a large loss. He assured the council that legal advice had been taken upon the matter, and the town would likely be saddled with a large bill of costs if the rebate was not allowed. ....Dep.-reeve RAY regretted that Reeve CRANDELL had seen fit to again air this matter before the council. It had already been reported upon by the finance committee of the previous council. Every one sympathized with Mr. Bryans in his loss, but the facts were these: Mr. B. had received an insurance of $700; the buildings destroyed had been replaced, and when the assessor made his rounds he would find better buildings than before; and the council had allowed Mr. B. a rebate of the taxes upon his personal property. More than that the council could not legally do except as a charity grant....Reeve CRANDELL repeated in substance his previous remarks, and pressed for a vote, demanding the yeas and nays, which were finally taken as follows:—yeas: Crandell, Fee and Ross; nays: Dep.-reeves Williams and Ray, Couns. Comstock, Brown, Parsons, Touchburn and Flurey.

DEPUTATION FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

A deputation consisting of Messrs. A. Hudspeth, J. R. McNeillie, John Dobson and John Kennedy, representing the Lindsay board of education, being in waiting to confer with the council, a motion was made that they be heard. Mr. Hudspeth, chairman of the board, then addressed the council, stating that when he was appointed chairman he found that it had been the usual custom to borrow money as required upon the authority of the chairman of the board, and he had done the same thing although he had grave doubts as to the absolute legality of the method. Finally the educational department had been communicated with regarding the matter, with the result that the course pursued was stated to be contrary to law, and that the council had to be applied to for the necessary funds. In accordance with these instructions he had to announce that the board had a floating debt of $7,000, secured by a note now held by the Dominion bank, which matured upon the 24th inst, and asked the council to provide for the same. This amount had been expended in improving and adding to the school accommodation in the various wards. (The amounts were given in details in a statement read.) The letter from the educational department was read, as were also the minutes of the board of education referring to the matter, with a clause asking whether the council or the school board were entitled to the overplus resulting from the sale of the debentures for $27,000 for the building and equipments of the institute....Mr. J. R. McNeillie, secretary of the board, was also heard, and stated that the board had spent over $8,000 in improving the ward schools, which properly should have been obtained from the council at once. The deficit was first created by the building of the north ward school. He hoped the amount would be provided.

Reeve CRANDELL facetiously remarked that he was pleased to meet the members of the school board. He had no doubt but that the council would have to provide the money asked, but a little criticism would do them no harm. He then proceeded to review the whole situation, and classed as strange the fact that the illegality was only discovered after the collegiate institute was nicely provided for......Coun. FLUREY asked whether the $7,000 would be levied upon the whole town or upon public school supporters alone. In his estimation the deficit mentioned was incurred for the public schools, and it would be unfair to ask the Catholic ratepayers, who were supporting schools of their own, to contribute......Mr. McNeillie said the amount would be levied upon the public school supporters alone.

Finally, upon a motion of Dep-reeve RAY and Coun. TOUCHBURN, the matter was referred to the finance committee with the understanding that the school board should meet the committee and discuss the situation.

Mr. Hudspeth then thanked the council on behalf of the board for the courteous reception extended the deputation.

FOR EVERYBODY'S NEIGHBOR.

Moved by Dep.-reeve RAY, seconded by Reeve CRANDELL, that the clerk procure a supply of the rules and regulations governing council meetings for the use of members of this council.—Carried.

A CHARITY GRANT.

Moved by Dep.-reeve RAY, seconded by Coun. TOUCHBURN, that the usual grant of $125 be made to the central charity committee, the proper proportion to be handed to the St. Vincent de Paul society.—Carried.

A PRINTING COMMITTEE.

Moved by Dep.-Reeve RAY, seconded by Coun. Ross, that Messrs. Comstock, Williams, Crandell, Brown and Fee be a special printing committee.—Carried.

TO PAY OR NOT TO PAY.

Reeve CRANDELL stated that he intended making a motion that all monies collected under the dog by-law should be refunded by the chief constable..... Dep-reeve RAY said that the question required consideration, and moved, seconded by Coun. COMSTOCK, that the chief constable bring in a report of all monies collected during 1887-88, and of cases now in litigation, also a statement of costs incurred in enforcing the same. (A gentleman in the audience here put some pointed questions to the chair, the tenor of which was disgust at the weak-kneed policy of the council in deferring to public opinion when the by-law was approved of by a majority of the member).

Reeve CRANDELL took the opportunity to announce that he would bring Mr. Bryan's claim up at a future meeting.

HITTING BACK.

Dep.-reeve RAY rose in his place as he said, to a question of privilege. He had been severely criticised during the evening, and wrongly so. He could say in all truth that he had solicited the members for neither position nor votes. He had been so unfortunate as to fall under Reeve Crandell's ban by being appointed chairman of two committees. If Reeve Crandell felt slighted in not having obtained a similar office he could not see why he should be made to bear the brunt of his spleen. As regarded his personal views, he simply took the ground that Reeve Crandell's past record as regards the expenditure of money was such an one as should necessarily prevent his being placed in such a responsible position. He also drew attention to the fact that some one member must necessarily be chairman of two committees, as the finance committee was made up of the heads of all other committees, and of course must have a head also, who would thus occupy a dual office.

Reeve CRANDELL commented at some length upon what he termed Dep-reeve RAY's unassuming modesty, and referred ironically to that gentleman's acceptance of the chairmanship of the fire and water committee, hinting broadly that he knew nothing about the duties of the office. He drew attention to the fact that the people sent representatives to the board who never moved a solitary motion for the benefit of their constituents, and accused Coun. Brown of sitting in his seat "like a stotingbottle," whatever that is.....Coun. BROWN repudiated the insinuation indignantly, and said he objected strongly to being called a "stotingbottle" by Reeve Crandell, who was always ding-dong-ing at him because, when he (Coun. Brown) was on the streets and bridges committee, he had refused to fill up a street from which Messrs. Crandell and Fee had taken earth when running a brick factory.

After a few minutes discussion of an unimportant character the council then adjourned.

LINDSAY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

SUCCESSFUL OPENING CEREMONIES.

Masterly Address by Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education.

Enthusiastic Public Meeting—Immense Evening Audience—Stirring Speeches by Mr. Adam Hudspeth, Rev. Dr. Williams, Dr. Geikie of Toronto, Rev. W. K. Anderson, the County Inspectors, and others.

The ceremonies in connection with the formal opening of the new Collegiate Institute at Lindsay came off most successfully Tuesday afternoon and evening in the presence of large and enthusiastic gatherings of townspeople and leading residents of the county. The new building was pronounced by all an ornament to the town, a credit to the liberality of the ratepayers and to the enterprise of the school board, and in every respect admirably adapted for the intended purpose. A detailed description of the structure is appended.

THE AFTERNOON GATHERING.

The public ceremonies commenced in the afternoon at half-past two in the spacious assembly room in the third story. The chairman of the board, Mr. Adam Hudspeth, the members of the board, Principal Harstone and members of the staff, town councillors, inspectors of East and West Victoria and other leading citizens escorted Hon. Mr. Ross, minister of education, Dr. Geikie, dean of Trinity medical school, Toronto, Mr. J. W. McBrien, inspector of North Ontario, Mr. W. E. Tilly, inspector of Durham, and other educationists, through the building from the basement upward. The fine large, well-lighted class rooms, wide corridors, and excellent provision for heating and ventilation were greatly admired and were pronounced first class in every respect. On proceeding to the assembly room a large audience was there gathered, including the high school pupils in full force. The chairman and guests, including resident ministers, members of the town and county councils, county officials and many leading citizens occupied seats on the spacious platform.

The CHAIRMAN opened the proceedings with some happy remarks regarding the auspicious occasion that had brought them together and read the following address:—

To the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education:

SIR,—We welcome you to-day as the official head of the school system of the province of Ontario, a system which places within the reach of all a primary and secondary education surpassed by that of no other country in the world. We are pleased that irrespective of party all the members of the legislature of Ontario from the time of confederation down to the present have pursued a liberal course in connection with its public schools, its high schools and its universities.

Encouraged by the liberal policy at present being carried out under your supervision and supported by the electors of Lindsay, we have erected this building in which we are now assembled. In its construction we have adopted all the latest approved theories regarding lighting, heating, ventilation, size of class rooms, etc. In short we have endeavored to have a building as nearly perfect for school purposes as possible. We intend that its equipment as regards library, scientific apparatus, maps, globes and gymnastic appliances shall more than fulfil the conditions (of your department) for first-class grading. We have manned the school with a staff of teachers second to that of no school in the province.

Our aim has been to build, equip and man such an institution as should be in the very front rank of the collegiate institutes of the province at which at a very small cost all students, whether rich or poor, might secure an education that would fit them for entrance into the teaching profession or into any of our universities, or if their tastes did not lie in these directions that from it they might graduate well fitted to become intelligent and useful citizens. We have pleasure in stating that already our efforts on their behalf are being appreciated by the students of Lindsay and the surrounding country.

We have on our roll to day students from the town of Lindsay, the county of Victoria and from other counties to the number of 192. These students at their own expense have fitted and supplied the excellent reading-room which you have just inspected, and we learn that it is their intention to still further assist us to make the Lindsay collegiate institute one of the best and most attractive institutes of the province.

We ask you formally (as you have already done officially) to raise our school to the rank of a collegiate institute and to open this building for school purposes.

Hon. G. W. ROSS was received with hearty applause as he stepped forward to reply to the address. He warmly congratulated the board and the town upon their splendid new building which was being opened under such favorable auspices for a successful career in the future. Lindsay now had a high school that would rank equal to any in the province in equipment, fine staff, ample provision for the health and comfort of the pupils, and in everything that made a high school desirable and effective. He dwelt at considerable length and with much eloquence upon the practical character of the high school work of the province; and in concluding expressed his gratification in formally declaring opened such an admirable building as the Lindsay collegiate institute. The hon. gentleman was frequently and warmly applauded.

Three cheers were then given with a will for the "Lindsay collegiate institute."

THE CHAIRMAN read letters of regret for unavoidable absence from Mr. Goldwin Smith, Principal Grant, Sir Daniel Wilson, Sir J. W. Dawson, R. L. Dobson, principal of the Picton high school, and others who were unable to be present. In the course of his remarks Mr. Hudspeth spoke of the invaluable assistance rendered in connection with the new institute by Mr. S. Corneil, who was not now a member of the board.

Mr. HUDSPETH said he had kept the best thing till the last and read the following letter, which it is needless to say was received with a hearty round of applause from the pupils, the audience joining:

LINDSAY, Jan. 22nd, 1889.

Adam Hudspeth, Esq., Chairman Board of Education, Lindsay.

DEAR SIR, Being desirous to assist in promoting the success of our new collegiate institute, and, by way of encouragement to the teachers and pupils, I beg to offer a gold medal in classics to the pupil nominated to receive it upon such conditions as may hereafter be decided upon. Should the board accept the proposal I am willing to modify my offer and make it a scholarship of a $20 gold piece.—Yours respectfully,

F. C. TAYLOR.

Mr. J. W. MCBRIEN, inspector for North Ontario, was called upon and after cordially congratulating the people of Lindsay upon their magnificent new collegiate institute made some eloquent remarks upon educational progress in general.

Mr. W. E. TILLY, inspector of Durham, as a former principal of the Lindsay high school, was cheered as he came forward to make a few brief remarks. He expressed great satisfaction at the progress of the town in general, as could be seen on every side, and particularly in the splendid building which they had just finished for their collegiate institute. He had known when here that this would come in time, and he felt satisfied that it would prove in every respect a most successful investment for the people of the town. He expressed the hope that a lever would in time be supplied so that rural schools could effect desirable and needed improvements in their buildings and equipment.

INSPECTOR H. REAZIN alluded to the time twenty-one years ago when he was headmaster of the Lindsay high school and started with four pupils. (Laughter.) The number rapidly increased to six by the end of the week, and to ten the following week, this meeting the requirements of the day. In a few years the attendance was forty. Now there were nearly two hundred, and that number would soon be far surpassed. The large attendance and the splendid building provided for them shewed the great progress of the country.

INSPECTOR KNIGHT joined heartily in the general chorus of congratulations on the opening of such a fine building; and referring to the common schools, expressed his gratification that the board had adopted the principle that the youngest pupils should have just as good teachers as the older ones, for it was most important that a good beginning should be made in the right way.

Mr. JOHN FELL, M.P.P., as the oldest member of the county council, heartily congratulated the town and expressed his personal desire to do all in his power to promote the interests of education.

REV. W. K. ANDERSON in a few brief remarks expressed his pleasure at being present to witness the opening of such a splendid structure, and which shewed the interest they all felt in the cause of education.

REV. DR. WILLIAMS after a few humorous remarks to the effect that he and the mayor had been invited to give "weight" to the occasion proceeded to give a brief but most eloquent and impressive address, which was warmly applauded. Though short it was the speech of the afternoon, and nothing but a full report would do it justice.

This closed the proceedings for the afternoon.

The Evening Meeting—An Immense Crowd Hundreds Unable to Obtain Admission.

In the evening the assembly-room, which is the largest public hall in town, was at an early hour crowded to its utmost capacity; chairs were brought in and every available space was occupied. The platform was invaded, the ante-rooms crowded and still hundreds were compelled to return home. The chair was occupied by Mr. A. Hudspeth, and on the platform were Hon. Mr. Ross, Dr. Geikie, members of the school board, Mariposa school board, county council, town council, resident ministers and other leading residents "too numerous to mention." The Citizen's band were in attendance and played some popular selections.

The CHAIRMAN in his opening remarks said the new building had cost only $20,800 paid to the contractors, and not $27,000, as had been incorrectly stated by certain parties. The balance had gone into the Smead-Dowd heating and ventilating system, in furniture, apparatus and general equipment. The extras were under $300. (Applause). The chairman gave the figures of the yearly expense of the institute at $8,415, to meet which they would have government and county grants of $2,600; fees, $2,000; leaving for taxes only $3,815, as against $3,900 taxes required to support the old high school. The building would not, therefore, be a burden upon the Lindsay taxpayers. (Applause). He had no doubt that with the staff they would soon have an attendance of three hundred pupils, and that would add in fees another thousand dollars to their income. (Applause). The attendance was already 192, which was far more than they expected (Cheers.) The board had kept good faith with the town of Lindsay. They had not forgotten the public schools, but had improved them as much as was possible, and further improvements would be made as soon as they were able to do so. He hoped they would march on together in harmony, the one a feeder of the other, and there would never be any antagonism between them. (Applause). There was one matter he would like to press on the attention of the minister of education. There were just five training schools in the province—at Strathroy, Hamilton, Guelph, Owen Sound, all in the west, and at Kingston in the east. The minister had just passed upon this high school in such favorable terms that they could ask him to make it a training school (applause) and that would mean $500 a year extra from the government, and this would just put the cap sheaf upon the whole structure. (Cheers.) Lindsay was centrally situated for such an institution and he felt confident the minister would place the interests of those young teachers in our care. (Applause.)

Hon. G. W. ROSS, who was received with cheers, said he thought the ratepayers of Lindsay would be greatly pleased with the statement of the chairman. The new and commodious institute, admirably equipped with a large staff, would cost them less than to maintain the old building with a smaller staff. If he felt inclined to take the kind and wholesome advice that had been given him and recommend this institute for a training school they would be $500 a year in pocket on this enterprise. (Cheers.) He congratulated the school board upon the high character and standing of the staff and upon the pleasant and prosperous condition in which they now found themselves. This institute would compare favorably with any in the province, (cheers), and he did not know of anything that was wanted to complete its equipment. (Cheers). He congratulated the board and the people of Lindsay on their liberality and enterprise, and upon the important contribution they had made to the educational progress of the country. (Cheers). Mr Ross then proceeded to give an eloquent and highly interesting address on the high and public school system of the province. He showed how the Ontario system was superior to the systems in the most advanced States across the lines in that it was a harmonious combination; the public school was linked to the high school and the latter to the universities, making a ladder reaching from the lowest school to the highest institution. It was also considerably less expensive and he believed it was more effective. He dwelt at considerable length on the practical character of the high school training; and showed how the benefits derived from those institutions went back to the people in the teachers trained for the public schools. He pointed out that the greatest benefit of all was that the pupils trained in the schools were being taught the duties of citizenship, developing individuality and national character; and therefore while the schools were maintained with increasing efficiency he had the strongest confidence in the future of Canada. The hon gentleman's peroration was of the highest type of patriotic eloquence and was heartily applauded.

Dr. GEIKIE, Dean of Trinity Medical College, Toronto, congratulated the town upon its magnificent institution and said he could not add a word to the splendid address just delivered by the minister of education. He urged parents to assist and encourage their children with their lessons at home, and there would be a marked difference in the progress at school.

Votes of thanks to Hon. Mr. Ross and Dr. Geikie followed and proceedings closed with the "national anthem" by the band.

The Building—The Outside View.

The outside appearance of the building, which stands about 60 yards west of the old high school, is plain but imposing in its solidity. It is built entirely of red brick of excellent quality purchased from the yards of Messrs. Curtin and Fox, and is three storeys in height, but nearer four in reality owing to the liberal raise of the ceilings inside. The outside dimensions are 74x74 ft. The brick superstructure is supported upon a six foot foundation of the famous Bobcaygeon stone, dressed in broken course, with a cap of rounded plinth 12x14. It can be seen at a glance that ample provision has been made for the admittance of light and the many windows have stone cells, arches of polished brick being set in above. The roof is flat, with mansard sides, covered with slate, and a low tower rising over the front, from the centre of which springs a tall tapering mast for the display of bunting upon the proper occasions—surmounted by iron cresting of a handsome design. Nothing of an ornate or elaborate character arrests the attention in taking a view of the structure, but in nine cases out of ten the decision of the spectator is "That's a fine looking building." And so it is.

THE INSIDE VIEW.

The building is entered on the east and west sides through twin porches 8x9-6 each, reached by five or six broad steps. Immediately facing the entrances are stairways leading to the basement in which are situated the boy's and girl's waiting rooms with lavatories attached, cloak rooms and closets, the latter being built on the Smead-Dowd system, having proper foul air chambers in connection. The girl's waiting room is 24ft. 2in x 28ft; boys, 21ft, 8in x 30, and each are fitted with long benches or seats divided into "pigeon holes" for holding overshoes, rubbers, etc., properly numbered. Facing the north in the basement is situated the cold air chamber, 23 ft 8x30 ft 4, the object of which is to furnish air to the Smead-Dowd furnaces, of which there are four, two on each side of the building, besides a diminutive one for each side to be used in warm weather when the air is heavy, damp and oppressive, a very small fire in which creates the desired draught. The floor of the basement is paved with brick, and the ceiling is ten feet clear. A solid division wall separates the boy's quarters on the east side from the girl's quarters on the west.

Ascending the basement stairs again, to the left from the entrance, is a large, grandly lighted chamber called the reception room, 25x28 ft, accessible from the west entrance in the same manner. Leaving this fine room, a corridor 64ft long by 12ft in width running east and west, is crossed and the class rooms on the first floor reached. These are situated—as will have been seen from the fact that the front of the building faces south—at the northern end, the east and west rooms, being 22x31 ft. each, and the centre one 23x31.

The second floor, reached on either side by handsome winding stairways, capable of easy ascent and descent, with broad landings, is apportioned in a manner much similar to the first floor. There is a front class room 25x28 ft. with a similar corridor running the length of the building east and west opening upon which are two class rooms 22-6x31 ft. To the west of these rooms opens the handsomely fitted-up science room, 31x22 6, possessing every convenience and all the apparatus essential to thorough technical study. Commodious cabinets are provided for the safe-keeping and display of the various chemicals; arranged along the west side are three student's tables, each fitted with water, tank, cup, basin and every other requisite. A finger lap over each table supplies the water needed, which is raised by a force pump placed in the basement into a large tank in the attic, and thence conveyed by pipes to the science room. On the east side of the room are ranged comfortable combination desks for the use of the pupils studying the demonstrations. Visiting teachers of note have been loud in their praise of the equipment for this important study, and declared that it was unequalled in Canada.

Access to the top or attic story is to be had by means of broad flights of stairs, leading to broad landings above. Facing the stairways are the broad double doors leading into "Convocation Hall," or the assembly room, which, with a platform of noble dimensions, occupies the entire flat. The size of the hall is 40x72ft. 6in.; that of the platform or stage 30x25 ft. The roof is supported by five cast iron columns of symmetrical proportions. An excellent view of the stage is obtained from all parts of the hall, which is capable of comfortably seating about 700 people. The volume of light admitted is ample, and the system for regulating the heating and ventilation of the large chamber is faultless, an 18-foot ceiling permitting a free circulation above the heads of an audience. The acoustic properties are perfect. Entrance to the stage is had on either side by a doorway opening upon the landing at the head of the stairway.

The wainscoting throughout the building, as well as the capping and window stools, are of black ash, and the casings of the windows and doors are also of black ash cut in Queen Anne style. All the doors are made of white pine, set in with black ash panels, giving a handsome appearance. All woodwork is finished in oil throughout.

The stairways will strike the observer as being of marked architectual beauty of design. The broad black ash steps are hidden from a side view by perforated black ash panels surmounted by a finely-turned massive balustrade of the same wood. Similar work adorns the stair openings leading to the basement. The comments upon this portion of the interior work were many and favorable.

The furniture for the building was supplied by the well-known firm of Stahlschmidt & Co of Preston Ont. and the combination folding chairs and desks for the pupils, as well as the cabinet desks for the teachers, are strikingly neat in appearance and of the most approved design and finish

The plastering and kalsomining in its every detail bear witness to the excellence and thoroughness of the contractor, Mr. Fred Reeves. Further mention is unnecessary, but we might add that the contractors first, and on Tuesday the public, praised warmly the fine finish given throughout.

The 18-foot heavy iron columns placed in the assembly room were cast in Sylvester's foundry, and it is a source of gratification that a local firm can turn out such work. This firm also supplied the iron cresting for the tower, which is of a new and striking design, a foot-and-a-half higher than the standard size furnished by other firms.

Messrs. Ingle & Ryley have the contract for the necessary apparatus for the gymnasium connected with the building, and are turning out Indian clubs, trapeze, swings, horizontal bars and parallel bars ad infinitum. The junior member of the firm is an athlete of no mean order, and it goes without saying that everything furnished will be of the best.

The building was erected by Messrs. McNeely & Walters, the well-known contractors, and enhances their already high reputation. The work has been thoroughly done throughout, and the ratepayers can rest satisfied that they have the best possible value in one of the finest buildings in the province.