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23rd June, 1886.—27-4f.

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G. A. WEESE.

Lindsay, June 24th, 1886.—27-3t.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that as auctioneer for Edward Bannan I will sell by public auction on the 3RD DAY OF JULY next, at the DUNCAN HOUSE HOTEL, in the Town of Lindsay at 3 p.m., a quantity of dry goods, consisting of CLOTH, TWEED, PRINTED AND GREY COTTON, table covers, quilts and towels to recover $31.60 being the indebtedness of one George Black for board at the above hotel. Dated 24th June, 1886.

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" Toronto	8 27 a m

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132 Acres of Good Land for Sale on Easy Terms.

The undersigned are authorized to sell the **East part, 73 acres, of Lot 26, Con. 10, and 160 acres, being broken Lot 25, Con. 11, in the Township of Ops,** and County of Victoria, 80 acres of which are cleared and under cultivation, the remainder being wood land.

There is a comfortable new frame house, on a stone foundation; a frame barn 71 x 30, with a leanto on the north side 15 x 71, and other outhouses thereon. Also a young orchard of about 100 choice bearing fruit trees, with a good well and other conveniences. This farm can be purchased at a bargain. For further particulars apply to MRS. N. BROOKMIRE, on the property, or to MARTIN & HOPKINS, 26-tf Solicitors, Lindsay.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY!

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at time of sale, there will be sold on

Tuesday, 13th July, 1886,

at one o'clock in the afternoon, by W. R. CAVANA, Auctioneer,

At the Johnston Hotel, Victoria Road Station,

All those certain parcels of land situate in the Township of Bexley, and being composed of firstly:—The South Half and the North-west Quarter of Lot Number Eleven in the 3rd Concession of said Township, except six and one-fifth acres on the north side of said south half, heretofore conveyed to one Richard F. Peel, by deed duly registered; and secondly: That part of the West Half of Lot Number 10 in the 3rd Concession of the said Township of Bexley, described as follows:—Commencing at the north-west corner of said half lot, thence east along the northern boundary thereof 14 chains 54 links, thence south, parallel with the western boundary of said half lot 4 chains 27 links, thence west, parallel with the northern boundary of said half lot, 14 chains 54 links more or less, to the western boundary of said half lot, thence north along the western boundary of said half lot 4 chains 27 links more or less, to the place of beginning, containing six and one-fifth acres more or less.

TERMS.—One tenth of the purchase money to be paid down at the time of sale, two other tenths within thirty days thereafter, and the balance thereof to be secured by a first mortgage on the property, bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum from the day of sale.

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County Council Meeting.

THURSDAY, June 10th, 1886.

Members all present. The warden in the chair.

A communication from Mr. Smith respecting the heating of county buildings was read.

On resolution of Mr. Barron, seconded by Mr. Taylor, reeve of Carden and Dalton, permission to introduce a petition re the separation of Carden and Dalton was granted.

Mr. Taylor, reeve of Carden and Dalton presented a petition from Robert Stein and seventy-four other ratepayers of Dalton asking to be erected into a municipality separate from Cardeft.

Messrs. Stein and Montgomery appeared before the council in reference to the above petition.

The ordinary charity grants to Lindsay, Omemee, Bobcaygeon, Bracebridge, Fenelon Falls and Woodville were passed.

On resolution of Mr. Macdonald, seconded by J. P. Humphries, Moses Dickie reeve of McLean and Ridout was appointed on the committees on roads and bridges and finance.

Mr. Fairbairn, on resolution of the reeve of Verulam, seconded by Mr. Kennedy, was instructed to have the south end of "little Bob bridge" at Bobcaygeon replanked.

Council went into committee of the whole on equalization of assessment. The items for the various municipalities were passed until those for Lindsay were reached. Then Mr. Walters objected to the increase of 10 per cent on personal property in towns. His objections were overruled.

On motion of Mr. Daniel, seconded by Mr. Cameron, the petition of Mr. Stein and others asking to have Dalton erected into a separate municipality was referred to a committee of Messrs. Taylor, Bailey and Fell to inquire into the proper mode of having the petition complied with.

On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Walters, the question of paying a balance due Ops township for completing work on West Cross Creeks bridge on 1st con. Ops, in lieu of boundary line was referred to standing committee on roads and bridges.

Dr. Norris objected to this county's assuming a joint control or a joint responsibility in relation to the Pigeon creek floating bridge leading to Peterboro. Messrs. Fairbairn, Heaslip and McQuade stated that they as representing the county had assumed no responsibility beyond the expenditure of $150. Mr. Walker stated that a stallion and its driver had fallen off the bridge and that the owner claimed damages.

Mr. McQuade presented a communication from Mr. Montgomery the owner of the horse. The communication on motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Bryans, was not received.

Mr. McQuade introduced a resolution, seconded by Mr. Fairbairn, to devise some means to widen the boundary between Emily and Ennismore townships. Referred to committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Walters, seconded by Mr. Walker, moved that the warden have all the county bridges inspected once a year by a competent man who shall report to the council and act under direction of the warden. Mr. Broad objected on the ground of expense. The local municipalities should report and save expense. Mr. Kennedy thought only those bridges should be inspected that are reported by the reeves to be out of repair. This would save expense.

Mr. Walters thought one general inspection cheaper than several special ones. Dr. Norris favored Mr. Walters' motion. Mr. Fairbairn favored the employment of a practical workman to do the inspection. Mr. Bowes favored leaving the subject for another session. The motion was lost.

Council adjourned till 4 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION, THURSDAY.

The Warden in the chair.

On motion of Mr. Barron, seconded by Mr. Walters the sum of $200, was appropriated towards the maintaunces of a judges chambers and a law library on Kent St. The motion was referred to committee.

The report of the plowing match for North and South Victoria was on motion of Mr. Berkeley, seconded by Mr. Cameron, received and read.

Mr. Bowes presented the report of the committee on printing.

On motion of Mr. McQuade, seconded by Mr. Mitchell the sum of $50 was granted towards repairing Lancaster's bridge, on condition that Peterboro grant a similar sum; the deputy reeve of Emily Mr. Mitchell to be commissioner to expend the same.

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 11TH, 1886.

The warden read a communication from Wm. Thurston Esq., sec. treasurer of East Victoria Farmers' Institute, asking for a grant to the institute. Referred to finance committee.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Mr. Fairbairn presented report of roads and bridges committee which was passed through committee, Mr Swanton in the chair.

Your committee recommend that no action be taken with regard to the placing of wire-fences on roads likely to be impeded by snow-drifts.

With regard to the resolution submitted from the council of the village of Bracebridge calling attention to the dangerous conditions of a bridge across Muskoka river at the foot of Thomas street in that village, requiring this council to build a new bridge or make the present one safe for public travel, and intimating that if this council do not at once take action in the matter proceedings will be taken to compel them to do so. Your committee are of opinion that this council are in no way responsible for the maintenance of the bridge in question or to erect a new one in its place and therefore recommend that no action be taken in the direction of acceding to the demands of the council of Bracebridge.

The petition of Francis McElroy and others praying for a liberal grant to assist the municipalities of Eldon and Carden to build a new bridge across the Talbot river on the boundary between these townships has been duly considered and your committee recommend that the warden, the reeve of Lindsay, the deputy of Eldon and the reeve of Carden be appointed a committee to make an examination of the bridge and that power be given to the committee to erect a new bridge or repair the old one as they may decide to be in the interests of the public.

With reference to the resolution of council respecting the re-plnking of the Rosedale bridge your committee recommend that the warden, the reeve of Somerville and the reeve of Fenelon be appointed a committee with power to have the bridge re-planked.

Resolutions of council relating to the necessity for re-planking the bridge over the river north of the Forest house, Bobcaygeon, and the south end of Little Bob bridge have been considered. Your committee recommend that a by-law be introduced providing for necessary work in replanking and making other repairs and appointing commissioners to act on behalf of this county on condition that the council of the county of Peterborough pass a by-law for the same purpose, the expense of such work to be borne jointly by the two counties. Your committee recommend that the reeve of Verulam and Bobcaygeon be appointed commissioner on behalf of this county.

Your committee recommend that a gratuity of five dollars each be granted to Messrs. Samuel Orr and James McCamus in appreciation of their services in preventing at great personal risk the destruction of a bridge over the Muskoka river on the boundary between Macaulay and Stephenson, the money to be paid through the reeve of Stephenson.

Your committee recommend that the following sums be paid to the reeve of Laxton namely: $21.41 for plank and labor on Head river bridge and $3 for his services overseeing the work and that Mr. Lachlin Matchett be authorized to expend $3 in further necessary repairs.

Your committee recommend that an account submitted by Mr. H. Workman for team supplied to a committee of this council in 1881 to go to Cowan's bridge amounting to $5 be paid.

The reeve of Fenelon Falls has submitted satisfactory vouchers for the expenditure of $87.50 in replanking the iron bridge at Fenelon Falls, authority for which work was given at the January session.

After due consideration of the petition of Robt. Courtney and others praying for a grant to complete the town line between Draper and Macaulay, your committee cannot recommend that it should be entertained.

Your committee recommend that the reeve of Omemee be requested to employ some competent person to examine the iron bridge at Omemee. and to make repairs if any should be found necessary.

Your committee recommend that the sum of $50 be granted towards repairing Lancaster's bridge in Emily on condition that the county of Peterboro grant an equal amount; the deputy-reeve of Emily to be commissioner on behalf of this county.

SATURDAY Morning Session, June 12th.

Members all present. Minutes of previous session read and confirmed.

Dr. Norris, seconded by John Fell, M. P. P., moved that this council would place on record the pleasure they enjoyed in their trip on the steamer Esturion to Bobcaygeon their drive to and through the farms of Mr. M. Boyd, Esq., and C. Fairbairn, Esq., and the sight of the splendid herd of Polled Angus cattle of Mr. Boyd; and would give expression to their earnest thanks to M. M. Boyd, Esq, for his courtesy, hospitality and attention to the council on the excursion. The resolution was carried unanimously. The clerk was instructed to forward a copy of the resolution to Mr. Boyd.

Council went into committee of the whole on the report of the committee on education.

Mr. W. Eyres, of Mariposa, was appointed trustee for Oakwood high school in place of E. A. Bowes.

On resolution of Mr Barron, seconded by Mr. Broad, the following by-law raising sums for public school purposes was passed as follows:—

Mariposa	$800
Ops	500
Emily	500
Eldon	500
Fenelon	500
Verulam	500
Somerville	200
Bexley	180
Laxton, Digby and Longford	300
Carden and Dalton	250
Draper and Oakley	200
Ryde	125
Macaulay	200
Stephenson	150
McLean and Ridout	200

Dr. Norris presented the report of finance committee as follows:—

Your committee have had under consideration the report of the auditors and their statement of accounts for the year 1885, and beg to recommend that the same be adopted and printed in the minutes of council.

Your committee have duly considered the estimates for the current year, and would recommend that two and a half mills be levied for county purposes on $10,848,827, the amount of the assessment as equalized, which will realize $27,122. The balance unprovided for at the beginning of the year will thus be materially reduced.

Your committee recommend that a by-law be introduced to provide for the following services in this and succeeding years, namely:

Auditors of county accounts, $40 each per annum.

Auditors of accounts for administration of justice, including the chairman, $20 each per annum.

The secretary of the Board of Audit, $30 per annum.

Allowance for stationary for the county judge, $15 per annum.

Your committee cannot recommend that grants be made in aid of public charity to the town of Lindsay and incorporated villages, as proposed by the resolution of council referred to this committee.

Your committee are gratified to learn from the order-in-council relative to the close season for maskinonge and bass, that the petition of this council to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, adopted in December last, has received such prompt attention.

Your committee cannot recommend that any action be taken relative to the Minto Farmers' Provincial Drainage scheme, or the warden's convention to be held in Toronto during the present month.

The resolution of council proposing that a subsidy of $200 be granted towards the maintenance of the judge's chambers and law library on Kent street in the town of Lindsay, has been considered, and your committee recommend that the proposition be not entertained.

Your committee recommend that the application made by Mr. J. T. Allen for transfer of a pedler's license be not entertained, especially as the original license has not been produced.

Your committee recommend payment of following accounts, viz:

A. Campbell, sec't. packing apples for Colonial & Indian exh'n	$ 8.50
Railway committee, attendance, etc., 27th February, 1886	22.20

Circulars have been submitted from the assistant commissioner of agriculture, relative to the nomination of a student to attend the provincial agricultural college. Your committee recommend that the county clerk await applications.

Your committee recommend that the sum of $25 each be granted to the East Victoria and West Victoria Farmers' Institutes.

Your committee recommend that consideration of the claim made by license commissioners of South Victoria for deposit of $600 to the credit of special license fund be deferred.

Your committee recommend that the bank account be continued with the Bank of Montreal, and on the conditions proposed by the manager yesterday, namely, six per cent. per annum on all moneys withdrawn from the bank on the cheque of the treasurer, the amount at debit to be reduced by all deposits, and interest charged on the net balance only from time to time.

Your committee recommend that the sum of twenty dollars be granted to the warden towards his expenses to Ottawa on Trent Valley delegation.

THE SCOTT ACT.

On the clause granting $600 for the enforcement of the Scott Act in Victoria Mr. Bowes asked that Mr. Hudspeth's opinion be given. Mr. Daniel wished to know by whose authority Mr. Hudspeth's opinion had been asked. Messrs. Bick, Fell and Broad stated the committee had asked for Mr. Hudspeth's opinion. Mr. Fell thought the opinion necessary, especially in view of the fact that there was doubt as to whether or not the county is liable under the statute.

Mr. Daniel thought that while, in session, no member or number of members without sanction of the council should should take the liberty of, or be authorized in asking county solicitor Hudspeth for an opinion.

Mr. Walters agreed with Mr. Daniel.

Mr. Cameron thought if we are bound by law to vote the money we should do so; but if not, then not.

Mr. Broad was in favor of having Mr. Hudspeth's opinion and if the council would not sanction the committee's action then he was prepared to pay for it himself.

Warden Heaslip stated he had authorized the committee to obtain Mr. Hudspeth's opinion, he in his capacity of warden having the authority.

On motion of Mr, Bowes, seconded by Mr. Bick, Mr. Hudspeth was heard before the council.

Mr. Hudspeth gave an opinion, to the effect that the county was liable for the amount, as follows:—

LINDSAY, June 11th, 1886.

To the Warden and County Council of the County of Victoria:

GENTLEMEN,—I have looked into the various temperance acts and license acts, none of which appear to effect the county of Victoria except the Canada temperance act of 1878, commonly known as "The Scott Act," and section number 6 of chapter 14, Ontario statutes for 1878, as amended by chapter 27 of the Ontario statutes for 1881, section 11.

The section relating to the demand of the license commissioners is the amended section number 6 above, and which with the amendments will now read as follows:

"All the expenses of carrying out the provisions of chapters 181 and 152 of revised statutes of Ontario or second part of Canada Temperance Act of 1878 as may be in force in municipalities where a by-law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors under the temperance act of 1864 or the temperance act of Ontario or under the Canada Temperance Act, 1878, is in force, and this act into effect shall when the license fund is in sufficient for that purpose be borne and paid in the proportion of one-third by the province out of the consolidated revenue fund and two-thirds by the county within which any by-law for prohibiting the sale of liquor under the temperance act of 1864 or under chapter 182 of the revised statutes of Ontario or under the Canada Temperance Act of 1878 is in force; and where the bylaw is that of a minsr municipality such minor municipality's share of the entire expenses shall be paid in the same proportion by the province and the minor municipality respectively as when the by-law is that of a county, whether the license fund is sufficient or otherwise-"

The words I have underlined above may cause room for argument, as the act is an act "to amend the license act and for other purposes," and it may be said that as we have no licenses in this county the act cannot be said to be in effect; but it seems to me that reading the whole section and the amendments that the legislature intended to provide for the payment of the expenses of carrying out the Scott Act, and I am of opinion that the county council should contribute whatever may be necessary under the act in compliance with the demand of the license commissioners.—Yours truly,

ADAM HUDSPETH, county solicitor.

Mr. Daniel thought the question should stand over till a future session.

Mr. Fairbairn also thought the question should be laid over until further information be obtained.

Mr. Barron agreed with Mr. Hudspeth and thought the money should be granted.

Mr. Bowes moved, seconded by Mr. Broad, that the sum asked for by the license commissioners of South Victoria be granted.—Lost. 6 to 18.

The following Scott Act deputation was present:—Wm. Eyres, Esq, Rev. Messrs. Pearson, Jones, Anderson and McTavish, and Messrs. Grace, Moore, Scully, Maguire and others.

Mr. Eyres spoke in favor of the enforcement of the Act. Rev. Mr. Pearson referred to the Scott Act in other districts. He advocated the appointment of a county police magistrate. Rev. Mr. Jones also advocated the appointment of the police magistrate.

Rev. Messrs. McTavish and Anderson followed in a similar strain.

Messrs. Daniel and Fairbairn objected to the deputation, stating that ministers of the gospel should keep clear of secular affairs.

Mr. Barron combatted the idea that ministers should not take part in such matters. He was pleased to see the ministers.

Mr. Broad thought the appointment of a county police magistrate would be no insult to the magistrates of the county,

On the clause in the finance report relating to charity Rev. Dr. McTavish addressed the council.

By-laws authorizing payment of salaries of auditors, and repairing of Bobcaygeon bridges were passed.

Mr. Bowes moved, Mr. Lownsbrough seconded a resolution to appoint two police magistrates without salary for Victoria, one for the north the other for the south riding of Victoria.

Mr. Fell opposed the motion, as being a reflection on present magistrates. He is a magistrate and would not lower himself to declare himself incapable. Further he did not think any man worthy of, or fit for such a position who would accept it for nothing. The public would accuse such a man of unfair motives.

Mr. Barron supported the appointment on the ground that police magistrates would make themselves thoroughly acquainted with the law. The council would not be liable for his salary.

Mr. Kennedy supported the appointment.

YEAS — Walters, Barron, Cameron, Bailey, Kennedy, Lownsbrough, Broad, Bowes, Dr. Norris, Mitchell.—10.

NAYS — Hopkins, Daniel, Berkeley, Swanton, Taylor, Fairbairn, Staback, McEachern, Bryans, Fell, McQuade.—11. The motion was lost.

COUNTY PROPERTY.

Your committee beg to recommend that Mr. James Smith's communication relative to apparatus for heating the county buildings be laid over for future consideration.

Your committee recommend that the following accounts be paid, viz:

Consumers' Gas Co., January to April inclusive	$24 29
John Robinson, repairing registry office vault door	6 00
Henry Chambers, work on court house grounds	6 00
John Shanahan, trees	4 00
S. J. Playfair, cedar	14 50
Sootheran, Cathro & Mark, matting for halls	34 75
Alex. Skinner, glass and glazing	90
H. Fowler, wood	68 14
Robert Hay & Co., office chairs	16 80
Phillip Timms, work at court house grounds	9 00

Your committee recommend that the Consumers' Gas Co. be informed that unless the leakage in the pipes is remedied the chairman will be obliged to order that the gas be shut off.

Your committee recommend that a lawn-mower be purchased for use on the court house grounds.

Your committee recommend that the chairman of this committee be requested to make a careful examination of the court house roof, and that authority be given him to have the roof reshingled, covered with metallic shingles, or repaired as he may decide to be expedient;

EDUCATION REPORT.

The office of trustee for and on behalf of the county council in the high school board for Oakwood has become vacant and in consequence it is necessary for this conncil to appoint a new trustee. Your committee recommend that Mr. William Eyres be appointed in the room and stead of Mr. E. A. Bowes.

Your committee have had before them the reports of the inspectors for East and West Victoria. These reports have been carefully considered and discussed and will be found to contain much information regarding the working and progress of the schools within the county.

Your committee desire to draw the attention of the council to the propriety of the inspectors (wherever such a course is practicable without violating the departmental regulations on the subject) in some way occasionally intimating to the parents concerned when they propose entering a school for the purpose of inspection in order that such parents may have the pleasure of attending such inspection, if desirous of so doing.

Your committee are of the opinion that the establisement of an annual convention of representatives from the different high and public school boards of the province at some central point and at some convenient time, to discuss and interchange ideas on the important subject of education is most desirable, and the proposition from the Lindsay board of education to bring about such a convention, meets with the approval of this council.

Your committee are of the opinion that a system of monthly reports from the several teachers of the high and public schools throught the county to the parents of pupils of the standing and progress of their respective children should be adopted, and respectfully draw the attention to the minister of education and county inspectors to this suggestion being carried into effect, the county council providing the necessary blank forms for that purpose.

MR. KNIGHT'S REPORT.

To the Municipal Council of the County of Victoria:

GENTLEMEN,—I beg to submit my fifteenth annual report of the schools in East Victoria:—

SCHOOL SECTIONS.

A new section has been formed in the township of Somerville to the west of the village of Kinmount; a school house is in course of erection and will probably be opened after the summer vacation. The site is very suitable, being on the Monck Road, about midway between Kinmount and the school in the Argue settlement. To form this new section several changes were made in the boundaries of sections in Somerville. No changes have been made in other townships.

SCHOOL HOUSES.

The number of school houses is 50, including 5 in the town of Lindsay, 2 in Bobcaygeon, 1 in Omemee and 42 in rural districts. Of these 29 are of brick, 18 frame, and 3 log. The school houses erected within the last few years are much more substantial and better adapted for school purposes than most of those built some years ago.

The new frame school house erected at Omemee last year, for high and public school purposes, in place of one destroyed by fire, is a comfortable and well-arranged building.

ARBOR DAY.

The number of trees reported as planted on arbor day of last year was 313, as follows: Ops 153, Emily 43, Verulam 77, Somerville 40. In a few sections, particularly in No. 4 Ops, trees had been planted and flower beds laid out previous to last year, but in most of the sections, with the exception of the fence required by the regulations, the surroundings were as slovenly and unattractive as the most undity person could desire. There are still eight school sites not properly fenced. In some of the sections where no trees were planted last year, attempts were made to clean, level and otherwise improve the school premises, without which tree planting would be of little value.

In sections where the dwelling houses are of the most primitive character, and no attempts are made to improve the surroundings, trustees can hardly be expected to bestow much care on the school premises. But I see no reason why the school grounds should not be as well laid out as those of the average home. It would be well if they could be better. One great drawback is the frequent change of teachers. A teacher who is more likely to leave than to remain another year is not as likely to plant trees and make flower-beds as one who expects to remain several years.

The school is generally what the teacher makes it, and unless he has taste to appreciate the beautiful, industry to overcome difficulties, and tact to enlist the assistance of pupils and parents, but little will be accomplished.

TEACHERS.

The number of public school teachers in East Victoria is 60, of which there are in Lindsay 13, Bobcaygeon 3, Omemee 2, Ops 11, Emily 12, Verulam 11, and in Somerville 8. Of these, last year, 23 were male and 37 were female. Two held first class provincial certificates, 17 second class, 1 old county board, 29 third class, and 9 interim certificates.

The number of schools that changed teachers at the beginning of this year was 24. In Ops 4 schools changed teachers, in Emily 7, in Verulam 7, in Somerville 4, in Bobcaygeon 1. The only change in Lindsay was the accepting a substitute in the case of a teacher who wished to attend the Normal school.

When trustees have decided that it is desirable to change the teacher they frequently put off making any engagement until the most eligible teachers are engaged elsewhere. In this way we frequently allow our best teachers to go to other counties where trustees are more anxious to get good teachers than cheap ones.

A teacher who is giving thorough satisfaction is sometimes allowed to leave the

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