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L. DEYMAN.

## SECOND DIVISION COURT OF THE County of Victoria.

The next sittings of the above Court will be held in Dickson's hall, Fenelon Falls, ON THURSDAY, APRIL 28th, 1898, commencing at 10 o'clock in the forenoon Saturday, April 16th, will be the last day of service on defendants residing in this county. Defendants living in other counties must be served on or before Apr. 12th. S. NEVISON, E. D. HAND, Bailiff. Clerk Fenelon Falls, Feb. 3rd, 1898.

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GRADUATE of the University of Trinity College, Fellow of Trinity Medical School, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, Member of the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Ontario, Office and residence on Francis-St. West Fenelon Falls, opposite the Gazette office.

**R. M. MASON,**  
VETERINARY SURGEON; Honor Graduate Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto, 1884; R. M. O. V. M. A. Residence—Francis Street East, Fenelon Falls.

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The beautiful Crown and Bridge work practised with success. Gas and all other anaesthetics for extracting teeth without pain. A set of Artificial Teeth, better than the average, for \$8 00. Rooms directly opposite Wood's stove depot, Lindsay.

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WRITE FOR PARTICULARS TO

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When you want a

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Send it to

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**LUKE BROS. COMPANY,**  
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## FENELON FALLS CURLING RINK ASSOCIATION.

### ABSTRACT STATEMENT OF Receipts and Expenditures.

| RECEIPTS.                  |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| To cash due treasurer..... | \$ 1 32  |
| " Season tickets .....     | 109 10   |
| " Door receipts .....      | 67 80    |
| " Carnivals .....          | 53 05    |
| " Curling club .....       | 30 00    |
| " Hockey club .....        | 10 00    |
| " Public meetings.....     | 15 00    |
|                            | \$286 27 |

| EXPENDITURES.                  |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| By cash running expenses.....  | \$167 75 |
| " Plant account.....           | 2 25     |
| " Wm. Jordan on mortgage ..    | 100 00   |
| " " on interest.....           | 16 00    |
| " Amount due treas. last audit | 27       |
|                                | \$286 27 |

| OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS.              |         |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Balance due treasurer.....         | 1 32    |
| Fenelon Falls Electric Light Co. . | 26 55   |
| Wm. Jordan, interest up to Feb. 14 | 8 00    |
|                                    | \$35 87 |

| ASSETS AND LIABILITIES. |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| ASSETS.                 |           |
| Cost of building.....   | \$1116 60 |
| Cost of plant .....     | 120 94    |
|                         | \$1237 54 |

| LIABILITIES.                  |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Due Wm. Jordan on mortgage .. | \$ 100 00 |
| Outstanding accounts .....    | 35 87     |
| Balance or present worth..... | 1101 67   |
|                               | \$1237 54 |

| LOSS AND GAIN.                |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| GAIN.                         |           |
| By door receipts at rink..... | \$ 67 80  |
| " " carnival .....            | 53 05     |
| By cash season tickets .....  | 109 10    |
| " From curling club .....     | 30 00     |
| " From hockey club .....      | 10 00     |
| " Rent for public meetings..  | 15 00     |
|                               | \$ 284 95 |

| LOSS.                          |           |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| To paid running expenses ..... | \$ 167 75 |
| " Interest .....               | 16 00     |
| Balance, or net gain.....      | 101 20    |
|                                | \$ 284 95 |

Profit on Investment, 8.16 per cent.

**JOHN ALDOUS,** } Auditors.  
**J. L. ARNOLD,** }  
**R. M. MASON,** } THOS. ROBSON, }  
Secretary. President.  
Fenelon Falls, Nov. 1st, 1897.

## HARNESS

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## NEVISON'S

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## TRUNKS AND VALISES

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Agent for Pianos and Organs.  
Fenelon Falls, May 20th, 1896.—14-ly

### Educational Reform.

To the Editor of the Manitoba Free Press.

Sir,—It has frequently been stated, in the press and otherwise, within the past few years, that our children are not so well taught in the public schools as the enormous cost of those institutions would justify us in expecting. This is probably the opinion of a large majority of Canadian taxpayers. If so, we ought to be able in this age of progress and philanthropy to devise a remedy. The best remedy in my opinion would be to establish another class of schools for the education of those children whom the present schools leave uneducated. Let the new schools teach reading, writing and arithmetic, to the exclusion of every other subject; for nearly all complaints are based upon the fact that these subjects cannot be, or are not, properly taught in existing schools, especially in rural districts. Such elementary schools might be established in every rural district in which a majority of the parents or ratepayers desired them, or in which the majority have shown a passive indifference for a number of years that they are not in sympathy with the present educational system. No one ever questions the utility, or rather the necessity, of the three branches I have named, and it seems certain that in an age

when we look to the state for everything we want they will not be taught the children unless the state makes provisions for it. It is quite possible that the teaching of these subjects is not prohibited in our present schools, but they are too important to be left to chance unless the taxpayers so desire.

To some it may seem little short of sacrilege to allow "ignorant" people to lay hands on so sacred a thing as the modern programme of studies, but we must remember that the ratepayers and parents of a district virtually have this power under the present law. They pay and discharge the teacher, and if he does not submit to dictation during his short term of office they can annul the whole programme of studies by keeping their children at home, as unfortunately many of them do in this country. In such cases I think it would be good policy to give them power to substitute for the programme they have abolished another to which no one objects, as far as it goes.

I see no reason why such schools as I have proposed should not be preferred to the public schools in all rural districts. There would be nothing lost from an educational point of view. A child who is properly taught to read, write and cipher is better educated in every sense of the word than the average pupil in schools where a dozen additional subjects are attempted. Writing, of course, would include everything that is ordinarily done with the pen, and arithmetic should mean on a programme of studies what it means in the business world, which is something more than getting the answers to patent conundrums or making 34 per cent. on an examination paper.

But the principal advantage in such schools would be the additional time at our teacher's disposal. On our programme of studies in the Territories, which probably does not differ much from others in Canada, there are fourteen subjects, all except two or three to be taught to every child in the school. No school will have fewer than five classes, while some will have almost double that number. This makes the same amount of work for the teacher as if he had to teach seventy subjects to one class. Allowing on an average thirteen minutes to each lesson, it will take him three days to give one short lesson in each of these subjects, so that each subject can be approached on an average only three times in two weeks, or rather in four weeks. For a pupil's average attendance is only about five days in two weeks, so that each lesson must be taught twice at least. Educational authorities on this side of the Atlantic seem to take a particular delight in imposing every year heavier burdens on both teachers and children. They do not lengthen the school day, nor do they pretend to make the teachers or children more talented or industrious, and yet they imagine that both can do three times the work that had to be done in the same time some years ago. They find that the modern scheme makes a beautiful picture on paper and that settles the matter.

That the courses of study prescribed nowadays in most parts of Canada are unsuited to rural schools at least, may be seen by examining the pupils attending these schools, and no harm would be done by including some pretentious town schools. It will be found that numbers of bright and clever children in these schools know practically nothing of the extra subjects supposed to be taught. It is doubtful whether in half the rural schools the teaching of any subjects beyond the three I have mentioned is of any practical benefit whatever, while these three are not half so well taught as they would be if it was not allowed to attempt any more. With only a few subjects to teach there would be no necessity for cramming, and a child would not forget, the first year after leaving school, most of what he had learned there. Neither would a teacher be able to rob 75 per cent. of the pupils of their schooling in order to make a name for himself by preparing the few bright ones for matriculation or teachers' certificates.

### RATEPAYER.

Wolseley, Assa., Jan. 10.

Oran, in Algeria, has a port health officer still in active service at the age of 126 years. His name is Tremouillet. He was born in 1771, was captured by Oran pirates in 1789, and has never left the town since. He married an Arab woman, but, according to the London Morning Post, "has re-adopted European costume, and, in spite of his great age, has quite an elegant appearance."