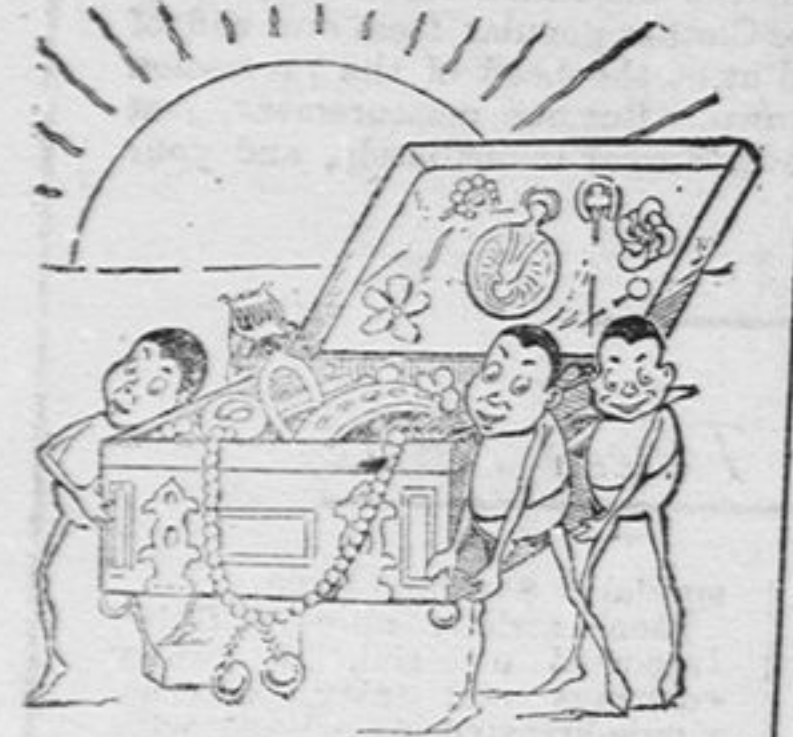


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The Watchman. THURSDAY, NOV. 24th, 1898

COUNTY HOUSE OF REFUGE

AN INSTITUTION DISCUSSED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

A BUILDING AND 50 ACRES OF LAND FOR THE POOR AND HELPLESS OUGHT TO HAVE A HOUSE COMMITTEE NEARLY ALL FAVORABLE—A VOTE OF THE PEOPLE AT NEW YEAR'S.

When the people mark their ballots to elect the new commissioners at New Year's they will be asked to vote "yes" or "no" regarding the erection of a county house of refuge.

The building and land is estimated to cost \$20,000. Of this the government will pay \$4,000, and it is proposed to issue debentures for 20 years to raise the remaining \$16,000.

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low. Hot water heating is found to be the best, on account of uniformity and safety. The officials are usually a keeper and matron—his wife—and their duties are at times very disagreeable, as may be imagined. Of the present inmates, 40 per cent. are mentally defective, 40 per cent. are victims of the liquor habit and the remaining 40 per cent. are poor only.

Chairman Shaver—How have other counties proceeded when about to adopt the R. fuge system? Mr. McNellie—The council has in most cases taken advantage of its power to raise \$20,000 during its existence, and acted on its own responsibility.

Warden Lithgow—If the people trust to have what is best done, then we ought to do our duty and leave on record our opinion.

Mr. Austin—I am in favor of the scheme, and in so far as I have obtained the opinion of others, no one denies the need for a Refuge. I am satisfied that the cost would be little more than present charities.

Mr. Cameron—I differ from the former speakers. I told my people I would not agree to any large expenditures without their consent, and I shall adhere to that. Personally, I was in favor of the R-fuge ten years ago, but found others who were not and the people must be educated.

Mr. Bryans—I am convinced that the Refuge is necessary and it is among the first things this council should consider. I think the expense would not be much greater than the present system of local charity.

Mr. Fox, M.P.P.—I think the voice of the people should be taken. The council is elected to represent the people and the best thing this body could do is to support a measure that would give the people a voice in their own affairs.

Mr. Wood—I have given this subject no special attention other than to see the need for such an institution. We shall always have the poor with us and the problem is two-fold: Can the county care for them (1) as cheaply, (2) as well, in the present way as by an institution.

Warden Lithgow—I cannot see how recording my opinion is making a duty. It will put us squarely before the public; and nothing will come of it. It is quite parliamentary to state our platform before seeking re-election.

Mr. Graham—Dr. Wood is inconsistent. He says "educate the people." Will he do it? No, but he comes here to ask aid for the needy of his constituency. He does right, but when he sees the need he should say so squarely to the people and stand or fall by that decision.

Mr. Johnson—I am not fully acquainted with this scheme, but am sure some better way of dealing with the poor is needed. The only doubt I have is regarding how far an institution will relieve local charities.

Mr. Ellis—I am in favor of a county Refuge but am aware of how the people regard such movements. I have not forgotten the clamor raised by the argu-

gated expenditure of \$40,000 on the good roads movement. It takes time to explain these things. People outside said "Lindsay wants good roads to bring people to Lindsay and all other places. Lindsay wants everything."

Mr. Fox—Now Lindsay wants the poor. (laughter) Mr. Ellis—This idea will prevail until explanations can be made. For two years efforts have been very good but before that time there were three poor years and men are careful about expenditures.

Mr. Bailey—I can't get it into my mind that we have enough poor outside of Lindsay to make a Refuge necessary. Down the country if a laborer got hurt we couldn't send his family up to the Refuge anyway and we should have to support them at home still.

Mr. Shaver—The need for the Refuge is apparent. The means to build is the election. If we recommend in its favor the electorate will be suspicious and the next council will probably be instructed to leave it alone.

Mr. Graham—I might say to Mr. Bailey that so far from Lindsay alone needing a Refuge, it is the only municipality that has not asked for county aid. We are taking care of our own and we want to take part in a similar system for the entire county.

The committee adopted the resolution printed at the beginning of this report and adjourned. On Saturday the clause was presented to council and unanimously approved.

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Mr. Switzer—I agree with Mr. Cameron and Mr. Fox. The people should decide whether the 3/4 of a mill should be added to their taxes. Personally, I was in favor of a Refuge eight ago, when the commission reported.

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