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Where the Banquet was Held.

Banquet to Supreme President Jas. Boxall

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Lindsay was proud of him. The speaker said we were proud of Lindsay as a corporation, and he paid a tribute to the Mayor for his excellent work during the year as its head. Dr. Wood also expanded on the greatness of Canada, and held that we should be treated as sons of the Empire not as colonies.

Mr. W. Perkins sang another patriotic song.

Bro. F. Frampton proposed the toast of "Our Visiting Brethren." Bro. Waram, of Peterborough, briefly replied, and Rev. Canon Baldwin, of Toronto, made a humorous address.

Bro. W. Shore sang "When Jack Comes Home Again," and the happy proceedings closed with the National Anthem.

Mr. I. Newton was the pianist of the evening.

Business of the Lindsay Post Office for the Last Fiscal Year

The report of the Postmaster-General for the year ended June 30, 1906, shows that the gross postal revenue of the Lindsay post office was \$13,418.76; number of money orders issued, 2,164; total amount of money orders issued, \$33,081.64; total commission received, \$194.84; number of money orders paid, \$86,513.26; total amount of postal notes paid, \$10,799.33; compensation to postmaster on money order business, \$33.39; on savings bank business, \$51.32; salary including commission on box rents, \$3,585.52; forward allowance, \$168.

Dear Sir,—In answer to Local Legal re Township of Ops and Omamee Road, the facts are these: The Council of Ops in the year 1905, at their last regular meeting on Dec. 15, passed a by-law closing said road, against the wishes of the majority of ratepayers interested in the said road. On or about the last day of December the Council gathered together without notice of meeting, without any clerk, and without minutes being taken, and also not in the regular place of meeting, and the price and instruction Mr. Stewart to give deeds of roadway to parties owning adjoining

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ing lands, for the nominal sum of expenses of clearing the road without also making them agree to pay the compensation that the township is liable for. If the Council had done this that would have settled the matter. Now, I will leave it to you ratepayers to say whether you think that was a legal meeting or not. Now, the new Council of 1906 either had to pay compensation to the parties that they interfered with in their ingress or egress, or upon the road, the Council proposing the latter, and by hard work we have been able to hold out for the present. If the rate will do it, the ratepayers of Ops will have a chance on election day to say whether they want the leading by-roads closed or not, and if I am elected again I will carry out the will of the majority of the ratepayers—I remain, your obedient servant.

Proceedings of Eldon Township Council

Council met in Lorneville on Saturday, Dec. 1st. Members all present except Councillor Spence. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Communications were read from G. H. Hopkins re C. N. McDonald's claim of \$37.50 against the township for attendance on John Torrey's snailpox case of last winter. From Councillor Spence stating his inability to be present. From Murdoch Mathison and H. Follitt asking bonus for wire fence.

Moved by Councillor McFadyen, seconded by Councillor Robinson, that the clerk be instructed to the Council consider they have no right to pay C. N. McDonald. If he has any claim for attendance he should look for the same to Mr. Torrey. Carried. The question of local option came up, and the Township Solicitor gave his opinion that legally the petition was not presented to the Council on the time defined by the Statute.

Robinson—McFadyen.—That no action be taken by this Council in the matter.—Carried.

Robinson—Ross.—That the Reeve be authorized to take such legal steps as is necessary to have the Grant ditch award set aside. Carried.

Council then passed a number of accounts. Council meets in Kirkfield on Dec. 15th at 11 a.m. E. MOSGROVE, Township Clerk.

The Mariposa Sunday School Convention

(Furnished by the Secretary.) The Twelfth Annual Convention of Mariposa Township Sabbath School Association was held at Salem Corners on Friday afternoon, Nov. 30, 1906, and was a decided success. It was given by the Rev. Mr. Leitch of Sonya, on "Better Teachers and How to Secure Them." Mr. Leitch handled his subject in a very clever manner, the address was very earnest, very helpful, and was listened to by an appreciative audience. The subject of Sunday school teachers are engaged and ought to be productive of much good. This address was followed by singing from Valentia choir in their usual pleasing style. Rev. Mr. Moore, of Little Britain, gave the closing address, "The Minister's Relation to the Sabbath School." Mr. Moore is a pleasing and instructive speaker.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. G. W. Hardy, Peniel, (Cannington P.O.); 1st Vice-President, Mr. Samuel Tremor, Salem; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. B. B. Rogers, Linden Valley; Sec.-Treasurer, Mr. L. E. Bateson, Cresswell.

PROFESSOR PRINCE LECTURES ON WHALES

THE LINDSAY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE COURSE OPENED FOR THE SEASON WITH A MOST INTERESTING SUBJECT.

The opening lecture of the tenth year of the Lindsay Collegiate Institute course last Friday evening in the Assembly Hall was fairly well attended. No doubt there would have been more present but for the intensely cold weather. Judge Harding took the chair, and introduced the lecturer, Prof. E. A. Prince, Dominion Commissioner of Fisheries.

The subject announced was "Whales and Other Monsters of the Deep," but practically only the first were treated of. The address was exceedingly interesting and instructive, illustrated by excellent lantern views which more clearly brought out the points of the speaker. In commencing he spoke in complimentary terms of what he had heard of the L.C.I. lecture course, not anticipating that that he would be called on to take part in it. The whale tribe was, he said, an interesting one, because it included the largest animals on the globe. It was a mistake to suppose that larger animals existed in the past. There was no record of larger animals than those among the whale tribe. It was a diminishing tribe. Some species were extinct that existed fifty or sixty years ago. The subject of whales was of special interest in Canada because no country on the face of the globe afforded as many of them as the waters of Canada. The seas on our northern and western shores abound in them. They had been driven out of other seas. When Jacques Cartier came up the St. Lawrence he saw more whales in the Gulf before reaching Saguenay than in all the rest of his voyage. There were two species for the most part. First, they were being killed and produced few young. Second, they were easily frightened. On the St. Lawrence a man had by placing stakes connected with vibrating rods in the water frightened the whale out of the shallow bays where they were killed. There are virgin waters in Canada, the lecturer said, open to the whaling industry which is progressing. The operations on the Pacific are very extensive. The industry is being developed by new methods. Instead of the old plan of harpooning whales with a line attached to an explosive harpoon, when one is killed it is pumped into the carcass and it floats. A man in a boat is left in charge, and so on till half a dozen are killed when they are towed to a whaling factory. Here the blubber is rapidly extracted and put into cooking vessels to obtain the oil. The whalebone of commerce, which is really horn, is only one of the products. Even the flesh is used as a fertilizer. A leather for bookbinding is obtained from the membranes and the intestines, and most remarkable of all the tail is 20 feet across, is picked. The Japanese are very fond of pickled whale's tail. The bones of the skeleton are ground and are used in making crockery.

The whale, Prof. Prince pointed out, is not a fish. It is a warm blooded animal while a fish is cold-blooded. It breathes in the air having lungs, while a fish breathes in the water through the gills. It is a mistake to suppose that the whale spouts water. The spouting is caused by the whale coming to the surface of the water and ejecting damp air from its lungs. This air forms the form of vapor, and sometimes when it condenses, a quantity of water is thrown out. The whale has no paddles or flippers as we really, their hands, and have at their ends what correspond to fingers. Smaller protuberances are found in some whales for which no use has been discovered. Near the tail and this has led to the theory that whales were at one time land animals, but having no longer use for hind legs since they took to the water they have almost disappeared. These small attachments are sometimes overlooked by whalers in cutting the animal up. The tail of a fish is perpendicular in the water, while that of the whale is horizontal. It is used for propelling the animal through the water with great power and speed. The whalebone hangs in sheets in the mouth, sometimes fifteen feet long. It acts as a strainer for the food, which is composed of multitudinous small animals found in the Arctic Seas. The capacity of the mouth in a large whale is about 200 cubic feet. Whalebone is now used in weaving silk, a fine thread of it running through the cloth. Artificial flowers are made of it, and the most durable wigs. The value of whaling is seen when it is stated that whale's bone is worth \$15,000 a ton. (The sperm whale is a tooth whale.) The professor exhibited a tooth and also part of a sheet of whalebone. This whale has a large head, and it is from it that spermaceti is obtained. The eye of the whale is situated just behind the jaws. It has no external organ of hearing but is the internal ear, and the professor expressed the opinion that the whale heard through its jaw, through connection with the ear. He spoke of forty of our seas attaining a length of forty to fifty feet, some as high as 65 feet, and exhibited a picture of one captured on the coast of Scotland 116 feet long. The heart of a whale pumps 120 times as much blood as the heart of a man. The aorta is as wide across as a man's waist. It is said that the sea has been reddened with blood when a whale was killed, which is literally true. "The old stories offensive animal, and the old stories of its attacking vessels are not true. The mother whale is very fond of her young. There is generally not more than one calf.

Professor Prince made brief reference to the tooth whale, which feeds on the cuttle fish and the octopus, to the sea cow or the manatee, and the hair seal, he described as really a bear. He would be glad, he said in conclusion, if what he had said would lead to greater interest being taken in our whaling resources and encourage the preservation of the industry.

On motion of Mr. Thomas Stewart, Chairman of the Board of Education, and Inspector J. H. Knight a vote of thanks was tendered to the lecturer.

In putting the motion Judge Harding



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ing said that we would have to be on the alert, or Americans would deprive us of our whale fisheries on the Pacific coast.

Judge Harding was thanked for acting as chairman, on motion of Prof. Prince and Col. S. Hughes.

The Professor said he was chairman of the Dominion Fish Commission, and had had some interesting conferences with representatives of the United States. He was not, of course, in a position to say what our Government would do. He complimented Mr. Cornish, the science master, on the excellent way in which he had handled the lantern bringing out the views so clearly.

Miss Adams sang a solo very acceptably before the lecture commenced.

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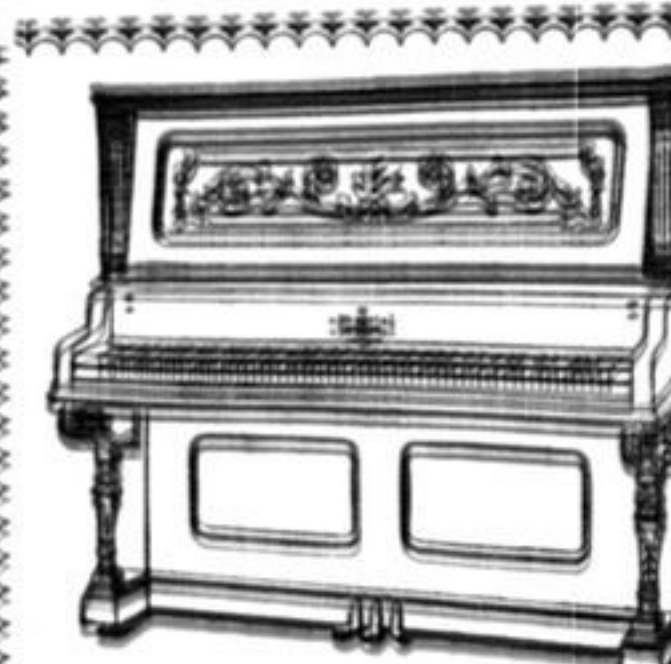


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