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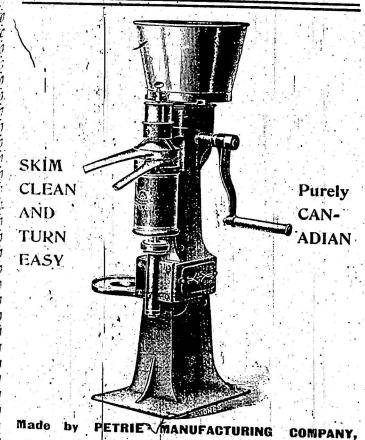
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COUNTY COUNCIL.

by Acciamation.

Council of the County of Grey, met at the Court House at Owen Sound on Tuesday last, January 26th, in according department, \$90; W. Beaton, including that bour, and an adjournment was superintending same, \$3; M. made until 7 p.m. Shortly after the hour appointed, the clerk, Mr. John number of accounts from local printers Rutherford, took the chair and and and publishers.
nounced that owing to the resignation of Mr. Thos. Harness, one of the representatives of Division No. 2, who had been appointed superintendent of

the House of Refuge, a new election had been ordered, with Mr. William Beaton, clerk of Derby, as returning officer. The nomination for said dection had been duly held, and Mr. Beaton had reported but one name etc., and was entitled to take his seat sat in the council before, as had his as follows: father before him.

the roll call: Messrs. Allan, Bell, Brown, Garvie, Gordon, McArthur, McLean, McColeman, McKinnon, Preston, Pringle, Schenk, Paterson. Shute and Thompson.

Mr. Doyle, who is in Florida, was the only absentee.

The business of selecting a warden was then taken up and when the clerk called for nominations, the name of Mr. Joseph Pringle, of Division No. 2, was submitted by Messrs. McKinnon and Gordon.

There being no other nomination. Mr. Pringle was declared elected and was escorted to the chair by his nom-inators, each making a few suitable Messrs. Gordon, Garrie, Bown, Meintroductory remarks. Mr. McKinnon expressed pleasure in

having the honor of inducting a gentle-man so well qualified to fill the position, while Mr. Gordon said he the Warden. felt a little jealous of Mr. Pringle get-ting the wardenship without a strug-gle, especially when he remembered that so many good looking, affable predecessors had had to fight for it. However, he had assisted in inducting a good many wardens but had never present occasion, because he believed mr. Pringle was eminently fitted for the position, and would preside over the deliberations of the council in a of Refuse committee, informed the council that the contractor had not yet completed his job, thoughhe was under months experienced more pleasure than on the congratulated Mr. Pringle on his popnlarity, and the county on securing an when a report was brought in.

Mr. Pringle made a brief inaugural secured the unanimous support of his of this being done the countries members. Notwithstanding secured the unanimous support of his fellow members. Notwithstanding this, he still felt that the position in which they had placed him was a delicate one. With so many able and talented predecessors, he could scarcely hope to dignify the position, but feeling assured that he had the confidence and support of the entire council he would endeavor to discharge his duties impartially and to the best of his ability. In case of any error of independent or hasty speech he craved their indulgence. As to the business to come up at the present session he had not had an opportunity to family arize himself, but had no doubt the affairs of the municipality would receive due consideration, and that the deliberations of the council would be conducted with dignity and in the interests of the important constituency they represented.

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The minutes of the November meet ing were then read, after which a large batch of communications, memorials and accounts were presented and

referred to the respective committees to report upon. Among the communications was one Among the communications was one from Mr. S. J. Parker, county treasurer, submitting the annual statement in reference to non-resident lands, etc. Also inclosing a letter from Peter McGregor, magistrate, Dundalk, asking for a refund of 39, being the amount of fines paid into the county treasurer by mistake during the year 1903. he having

ling every municipality to provide for its own poor, also that the change made in the constitution of county council boards be repealed.

Similar communications were also

Similar communications were also received from Victoria and Northum-berland counties, while from Haldimand came a request for co-operation in objecting to the law passed last session in reference to the maintenance of bridges over 300 feet long.

From the arbitrators re Sydenham Owen Sound, inclosing the finding bat respect.

From Hon. G. W. Ross and Hon. . Stratton. in reference to the House Mr. Joseph Pringle Elected Warden of Refuge, the provincial secretary intimating that as aoon as the refug was completed the inspector would be That august body, the County provision would be made for paying Council of the County of Grey, met over the government grant of \$4,000

ance with the provisions of the Ontario accounts for advertising, \$30.24 Municipal Act. The first session was Mackay & Sampson, re transfer of fixed for 2 p.m., but owing to the storm grammar school site, \$27.27; William Armstrong bookense for law office and the consequent non-arrival of 367; Robert Holland, repairs to Park head bridge, \$36, and Thos. Harness

> On motion of Mossrs, Gordon and McLean, Messrs. Allan, McKinnon Shute, Brown and the mover was ap pointed a committee to strike th standing committees for the year 1904 Council then adjourned until 10 a.m. on Wednesday.

The council resumed at 10 a m. or Wednesday, the warden in the chair submitted, that of Mr. Alex. Carvie, of Derby, who had been declared dr. Dorle. After the reading of the elected by acclamation. The clerk further stated that Mr. Garvie had subscribed to the oath of qualification, who may be a subscribed to the oath of qualification. mittee appointed to strike standin, as a member of the council. He had committees for the year 1904 reported

The following members answered cil; Mr. J. M. Thompson, chairman. Road and Bridge-Messrs, Garvie Schenk, McColeman, Bell, Brown McKinnon, Shute and Doyle; Mr. Shute, chairman.

County Property Messrs. Gordon Illan, Preston, McLean, Thompson Bell, Paterson and Garvie; Mr. Gor don, chairman. Education-Messrs. McArthur, Shute

McColman, McKinnon, Allan, Gordon, Garvie and Brown; Mr. McArthur, chairman. Printing -Messrs, Paterson, Schenk. Garvie, Thompson, McArthur, Preston, Doyle and McLean; Mr. Paterson,

Arthur, McKinnon, Allan, Shute, Mc Colman; Mr. McColman, chairman. House of Refuge Standing committee-Messrs, McArthur, Gordon and

Warlen's committee - Messrs. Gor don, Mckinnon and Allan. Sudicial Audit - Messrs Arthur and the Judicial Auditor. House of Refuge Building committee (special)—Messrs. Gordon, Garvie, McKinnon, Allan, Shute, Brown. Mc-Colman and McArthur; Mr. Gordon,

graceful and dignined manner. council that the contractor has under tinuing, Mr. Gordon said it was the completed his job, thoughthe was under bonds to have it done several months. cipal affairs, that a warden had been ago. He, the chairman, also wanted the council to visit the building in a contest, and he body and inspect the work so that they coulk the better understand matters

After some discussion it was finally decided that the members visit the speech, returning cordial thanks for the unanimous vote accorded him. He would not, he said, have felt justified in accepting the position had he not of this being down the said. Thursday, accompanied by the super-intendent, Mr. Harness, and to admit of this being done the council adjourned

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