

EXEMPTIONS FROM TOLL.

Mr. Button brought up his notice of motion giving permission to the clergyman to pass through the toll-gates on the York roads free of toll fees, after the expiration of the present leases. The resolution provided that all regular ministers of the Gospel residing within and having regular pastoral duties to perform within the county shall, upon application to the Warden, be entitled to a pass permitting him to pass through all toll-gates on the York roads, within the county, free of charge, when going to or returning from his ministerial duties. The name and address of the applicant to be written on the pass. But this resolution is not to take effect until after the expiration of the present leases, such pass to stand good for the present year.

COUNTY ENGINEER.

Mr. Tyrrell brought up his motion for a by-law to repeal by-law No. 155 of the county. The by-law to be repealed provided for the appointment of a County Engineer, and the object of that by-law before the Council was to dispense with the services of such an official. The present official is also Superintendent of the York Roads. On motion, the Council went into committee of the whole on the by-law, Mr. Stevenson in the chair. On motion, the Council rose and adjourned, without finishing the discussion on the Bill.

THE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

On re-assembling at 2.30 p. m. the Hon. Mr. Allen was permitted to address the Council as a representative of the citizens' committee of the Toronto General Hospital asking aid for the institution.

COUNTY ENGINEER AGAIN.

The Council again resumed in Committee of the Whole, the consideration of the by-law to repeal by-law No. 155. The effect of the by-law was to dispense with the duties of Mr. Gossage, as County Engineer. He at present holds the joint appointments of County Engineer for which he receives a salary of \$500, and superintendent of the York Roads, at a salary of \$1,000. The object of the by-law was to dispense with the former office and the salary attached to it.

After a spirited discussion the by-law was adopted on the following division:— Yeas—Arnold, John Bowman James Bowman, Button, Chester, Draper, Doane, (Aurora), Doane (East-Williambury), Jackes, Macklem, Mitchell, Phillips, Riddell, Stevenson, Taylor, Tyrrell, Wheeler—17.

YAES—Messrs. Berryman, Bull, Hunter, Graham, Parnam, Playter, Thorne, Tyson, Wallace—9.

The Council then adjourned till 7 p. m.

The Council re-assembled at 7.30 p. m., the Warden presiding.

THE EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE.

The Equalization Committee submitted their report, containing that considerable doubt and dissatisfaction existed in the minds of councillors in reference to the justice of the present mode of equalizing the assessment. They recommended that the County Clerk be instructed to instruct the assessors to bring up to the next meeting to such meeting the collectors' roll of their respective municipalities, to lay before the Equalization Committee in order that the practical effect of the existing mode of equalization may be seen. In reference to the appointment of county valuers provided for by the present municipal law, they expressed their opinion that the great objection to the appointment of such valuers is the large expense involved in their appointment; as they would in effect be assessors for the whole county, both of real and personal property, owned by every ratepayer, and the large amount of labour necessarily imposed on them would occupy their time for the largest portion of one year. They thought that the valuable information sought to be obtained, would be obtained much cheaper by an inspection of the several collectors' rolls above recommended.

The report was adopted in Committee and afterwards in Council.

It was then resolved that the County Clerk be instructed previous to the first meeting of Council next year to request the assessors of the several municipalities in the county to bring to such meeting the collector's roll of their respective municipalities, or a copy thereof, with a view of laying the same before the Standing Committee on Equalization of Assessments.—Carried.

SHIP CANAL.

Moved by Mr. Tyrrell, seconded by Mr. Button, and resolved, That a select committee, composed of Messrs. Parnam, Tyson, Doane (of Aurora), Dr. Hunter, and the mover be appointed to confer with the directors of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company as to the progress made by them to accomplish the intended work.—Carried.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The Standing Committee on Roads and Bridges reported on several matters referred to them. The report was adopted.

COUNTY PROPERTY.

The Committee on County Property also submitted a report, which was adopted, with some amendments, the principal of which was that with reference to the Holland River marsh, the committee recommended that the marsh be allowed to remain as it now stands, but that clause in the report was struck out, and the matter referred back to the Council, with instructions to report against the sale of the marsh, as being inadvisable at the present time, and to add reasons for this course. The report was considered in committee and afterward adopted.

The Council then adjourned.

FRIDAY, Feb. 1.

The Council met to-day at 10 a.m. the Warden in the chair.

NON-RESIDENT LANDS.

The Treasurer submitted a statement of the non-resident lands, showing the amount available to each municipality for 1866.

FINANCE AND ASSESSMENT.

The Standing Committee on Finance and Assessment handed in a voluminous report. They had much pleasure in stating that the Treasurer's accounts appear to be satisfactory, and the financial affairs of the County in their usual prosperous condition. Notwithstanding, they were of opinion that a considerable sum might be saved annually from the criminal justice expenses. Attention and care was paid to the auditing and passing of the accounts, which are at present audited by the magistrates at the adjourned Quarter Sessions. They recommended that one or more persons should be appointed by the Council to attend the Quarter Sessions, to represent the interests

of the County. They refused to recommend a toll toward paying the expense of the agricultural buildings, as their grant of \$2,800 in 1858 was given on the understanding that the buildings should be secured in perpetuity without further cost to the Council.

The Council refused to make a recommendation for the payment of any further sum to the registrars of the County until their accounts for abstracts are properly audited, and recommended that the account from the city for sewer rate be laid over to the June Session, in order to obtain the Solicitor's opinion.

They recommended the payment of one-half the expenses for the repairs done on the bridge over the Holland River at Bradford, amounting to \$544, and also that \$200 be granted the citizens' committee to relieve the Toronto General Hospital.

To the communication from the Assistant Adjutant-General of Militia, the committee had devoted much care, and in view of the liberal offers made by Government and desiring as much as possible to co-operate and sustain the volunteer militia force of the county, the committee recommended the granting of the sum of \$3,000 to aid in the erection of drill sheds, to be apportioned as follows:—To aid in the erection of a battalion drill shed, the sum of \$600 and the sum of \$2,000 to be divided equally to aid in the erection of eight single company sheds, and the sum of \$400 to be equally divided to aid in erecting suitable armories for the two cavalry corps at Richmond Hill and Markham. The whole of the above sums to be expended under the direction of the Warden, Messrs. Dr. Hunter, Button, Tyson, Chester, Parnam, Riddle, Doane (of Aurora), and in accordance with the plans and specifications furnished by the Adjutant-General.

The following additional grants were recommended:— Burnside Lying-in-Hospital.....\$100 Magdalen Asylum.....100 Boys' Home.....100 Girls' Home.....100

The report was adopted and the grants made.

THE COUNTY PROPERTY REPORT.

On motion, the County Property Report, adopted yesterday, was referred back to the committee for alterations.

FENIAN PRISONERS.

The petition to the Legislature for payment of the expenses for the trial of the Fenian prisoners, was read and adopted.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The standing committee on education reported on a number of matters laid before them. Having carefully considered the appeal of the Trustees of the Weston Grammar School, they expressed it inexpedient to make any special exemptions in monied grants to the Grammar Schools of the county. The petition from the Grammar School Trustees at Weston, praying for \$100 to be appropriated as a supplementary grant at the June session. The report stated that the grant was made on condition that these schools, receiving such supplementary assistance, should admit all pupils free of charge for tuition. This was not complied with, and the Committee therefore could not recommend the payment of the sum asked for. After giving a list of their nominees for local Superintendents, which were afterwards appointed by resolution, the report stated that at the January session of the Council.

Newmarket, Richmond Hill, Markham and Weston, at the June session a further sum of \$100 was granted on condition that tuition in those schools should be free to all. The committee suggested that such restriction be now removed, and that the sum of \$100 be granted to each of these, and that the trustees of these institutions be allowed to admit their pupils on the terms in force prior to the imposition of the restriction at the June session.

The report was then read, committed, and afterwards adopted in Council.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following appointments were made by resolution, on the recommendation of the Educational Committee.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

Township of York.....W. Watson "Scarboro'.....Rev. W. Belt. "Markham.....Rev. G. J. S. Hill. "Whitchurch.....J. T. Stokes. "N. Gwillimbury.....Dr. Montgomery.

Georgina.....Rev. Gordon. Vaughan.....D. McCollom. Etobicoke.....Rev. J. Brooks.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

MARKHAM—Rev. G. J. S. Hill, and A. Barker, Esq., re-appointed. WESTON—Dr. Bull re-appointed. RICHMOND HILL—Rev. J. Dick, and Matthew Teefe, Esq., re-appointed, Jas. McNeir, Esq., and Rev. J. Bredin. NEWMARKET—Rev. S. Ramsay, and Nelson Gorham, Esq.

GRANTS.

The following grants ordered in committee were passed in Council:— To the Chairman of the Richmond Hill Grammar School.....\$200 Grant Mar School, Newmarket.....200 " " Weston.....200 " " Markham.....200

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

The Treasurer was authorized to pay the incidental expenses of the Circuit Board of Public Instruction—for the County of York, \$47 19; and the County of Peel, \$60 09, for the current year.

SUPERINTENDENCY OF THE YORK ROADS.

The by-law repealed yesterday in Council was one granting Mr. Gossage \$1,500 for the execution of the joint duties of Superintendent of the York Roads and County Engineer for the year. His previous salary was \$1,000, but the Council being shown that his expenses were about half that amount, in attending to the road, advanced his salary to \$500; he, in consequence, agreeing to undertake any County engineering required to be done.

EMIGRATION AGENT.

A communication was read from Mr. J. A. Donaldson, Emigration Agent, intimating that any communication from any of the Council during the coming season for laborers or mechanics, would receive immediate attention at the Emigration Office, 14 Front street. If the Reeves, or Deputy Reeves of townships would send a list of the probable number needed in their localities, it would be an immense assistance to the agent sending persons where they could readily find work. He drew attention to the great advantage to be gained by cultivating the aid and benefit of emigrants offering small premiums for the first scutching mills erected in

a township or county. In Simcoe county, the handsome sum of \$150 had been offered as a premium the year before last, and the consequence was that a mill has been erected in Bradford, and was in full operation.

PROPAGATION OF FISH.

Dr. Berman moved, seconded by Dr. Hunter, a resolution complimenting Mr. Wilnot on his report respecting the propagation of fish in Canada, expressing their interest in the subject, and a-preciation of its importance, proffering every encouragement and intimating a desire to know more on the subject. Carried.

FLAX.

Dr. Barryman moved, seconded by Mr. Graham, That this Council desire to express to Mr. J. A. Donaldson their appreciation of his zeal and energy in promoting the culture of flax in this Province. They congratulate him on the immense increase in the growth and manufacture of this staple.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The standing committee on Roads and Bridges presented their second report. In the first clause of their report, the committee called the attention of the Council to the necessity of maintaining the bridges crossing Etobicoke, between York and Peel. As the maintenance of the bridges required the action of both counties, the committee suggested that the Warden should communicate with the Warden of Peel as to the necessity of cooperating in that object.

In the 2nd clause the committee drew the attention of the Council to the requirements of section 12, sub-section 341 of the new Municipal Act, which provided that counties should assume the maintenance of bridges between townships, under which it would be the duty of the Council to provide for the maintaining of the two bridges crossing the Humber.

The Council went into committee of the whole on the report, and adopted it without amendment. The committee rose and reported progress to the Council, by whom the report was also adopted.

Northern Railway of Canada.

RICHMOND HILL TIME TABLE.

Table with 2 columns: Train Name and Time. Includes Mail Train, Express, and Goods Train.

New Advertisements.

- Farm for Sale—Wm Linfoot. Oils & Paints—R. H. Hall. Card—R. Ferris. Money to Lend—G. P. Victoria Square. Property for Sale—Geo McPhillips. Lead—Wm Atkinson. Selling Off—Wm Atkinson. Great clearing Sale—H. & A. Newton. Hural for Christmas—H. & A. Newton. Coal Oil—W. S. Pollock. Harness—W. H. Myers. Duplex Elliptic Skirt—J. W. Bradley. Boots—W. H. Myers. Strayed Pig—Gerrard Wiley. Clearing Site—A Scott. Card—Richard Grabare. Desirable Residence to Rent—C Batrick.

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County Council of York and the Ship Canal.

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Mechanics Institute Lecture.

The Lecture before the Mechanics' Institute, by Dr. J. N. Reid, on Tuesday 29th Jan. Subject, "The Doctor," was one of the most amusing as well as instructive of the season; those who were so fortunate as to avail themselves of hearing the Dr. were highly delighted, he delineates the modern quick and impostor in the happy style peculiar to himself.

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The assertion that Dr. Rogers Hackett and Nash, the three Medical attendants of Dr. Hunter, have repudiated the handbill wherein they state they considered his life doubtful up to nine o'clock, but after that time had hopes of his recovery, and that Hackett and Nash had never authorized Dr. Rogers to use their names is also a base and slanderous fabrication, so far from this being the case they, Hackett and Nash, in my hearing, endorsed the handbill, and admitted that they authorized Dr. Rogers to use their names; besides, Hackett goes even farther, and states that he considered his life doubtful even for two days after, and it still becomes Mr. Boulbee or any of his supporters, to make such statements about gentlemen who for truth and veracity is in every way their superiors. That