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I have not counted what has been made and spent by the fourteen toll-keepers. Say \$500 for each to keep his family, 14x\$500=\$7,000 a year. Then say another \$500 a year for profits for each. It may be said that some of them have not made anything, but others have netted profits enough and got rich, to level all up to this average. Then the account stands thus: \$500 for living and \$500 for profits—\$1,000 a year for each toll-keeper, making \$14,000 a year that the toll-keepers do not pay to the Superintendent, added to about \$2,000 a year paid out of the hard earnings of the travelling community. Multiply this by the sixteen years, or about this time (perhaps it is seventeen years since the roads came into the County's hands) 16 times \$4,000 equal \$704,000. Seven hundred and four thousand dollars have been muddled away to pay off \$72,000, and the \$72,000 are not half paid off yet.

Gentlemen of the Council of York, how long is this folly to continue? The matter is in your own hands. Will you think the above worthy of your consideration at your next meeting.

Yours Respectfully,
J. L. M. D.

Richmond Hill, Jan. 11th, '83.

School Board.

The School Board met on the 5th inst., at 2 p. m. The President in the chair. Members present, Rev. I. Campbell, Messrs. Boyle, Teffy, Duncan, Savage, Crosby and Trench.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Mr. Teffy asked the Secretary to read minutes of the meeting of Dec. 22, as the LIBERAL represented him as seconding a resolution and also seconding an amendment to the resolution. The Secretary on turning to the minutes found that the original motion was not recorded. Mr. Boyle stated that the report of the LIBERAL was correct.

Mr. Crosby stated that he thought the original motion had been withdrawn.

Mr. Boyle stated that it had not.

The Chairman explained that while the report of the LIBERAL was substantially correct, yet it was supposed that the original motion had been dropped.

A member of the Board stated that the amendment was proposed and seconded and adopted as an amendment and therefore the original motion was not dropped.

The Secretary read a telegram from Miss Hamilton accepting the position of Ass't Public School Teacher.

Also a communication from Miss Hamilton asking if the Board would accept a substitute for four weeks while she was attending the Model. The Secretary stated that after consulting members of the Board he had written her accepting the substitute.

A discussion arose as to the wisdom of accepting a substitute and the legality of the action of the Chairman in moving of seconding a resolution.

Mr. Boyle entered his protest against the action of the Board.

Rev. I. Campbell agreed with Mr. Boyle.

Mr. Duncan, seconded by Mr. Savage, moved that the Board now concur in the action of the Secretary.

A telegram from Mr. J. Elliott stating that he had accepted Caledonia High School.

Also a card from Mr. Elliott explaining

that if he had received intimation earlier he would have accepted, though his engagement at Caledonia was for \$600, but could not honorably withdraw, and thanking the Board for its offer.

Mr. Boyle asked that the resolution accepting Mr. Smith's offer be read by the Secretary.

The Secretary read the resolution.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Watson was still open for engagement.

Mr. Teffy, seconded by Mr. Trench, moved that the Secretary communicate with Dr. McLellan asking him to send us a teacher at \$500 per annum, and if he cannot the Secretary communicate with Mr. Watson.—Carried.

Mr. Crosby, seconded by Mr. Brown, moved that the Secretary telegraph immediately to Mr. Cameron, to secure his services as Ass't H. S. teacher.—Carried.

The Secretary having gone to telegraph, Mr. Teffy, seconded by Mr. Savage, moved that Mr. Crosby act as Secretary pro tem.

Mr. Fotheringham being present, the Chairman asked the Secretary to read the resolution requesting the presence of Mr. Fotheringham.

Mr. Fotheringham being called upon stated that he was at a loss to know exactly what the Board required of him. Statements had been made by one of the village papers which were very injurious to him personally. He had made his explanation through the columns of that paper, vindicating himself, which he intended the members of the Board to see. If they wanted him to give them any information concerning the schools as to their efficiency he would gladly give it. He stated that if the Board wished he could give the time, to the hour and minute, at which he entered and left each school. He gave the standing of the schools for the last four years and the names of the pupils who attended during that time.

Mr. Teffy asked in which of the schools he had only spent fifteen or twenty minutes at his last visit.

Mr. Fotheringham said that was a mistake, and the man who made the statement would do credit to himself by withdrawing it.

The Chairman explained how the statement had been made and said that the Board wished an explanation as the report of Mrs. Wiley's school was better than the previous year and it was stated, he had spent a very short time in it.

Mr. Fotheringham stated that he spent from before 2 o'clock to 4 o'clock p. m., in Mrs. Wiley's room. He showed that though the average marks of the whole school was lower than the previous year, yet the average in Mrs. Wiley's school was considerably higher than the previous year. He also stated that the average attendance in all the schools was much higher than it should be for the teachers, but supposed they were hampered for funds.

In answer to a question from Mr. Boyle, Mr. Fotheringham stated that his coming earlier this year accounted for the standing of the higher department of the school being lower than the previous year. He also stated that the attendance had been very irregular in Mr. McMahon's school, the average being that every pupil was absent one day out of three.

Mr. Campbell said that personally he believed Mr. Fotheringham did his duty, but he put more dependence in the result of the entrance examinations than the report of any inspector.

Mr. Fotheringham stated that he disagreed with Mr. Campbell and explained the ground he held.

Mr. Boyle said that they had had four teachers for a time, and the result should be bearing fruit now.

Mr. Fotheringham said he thought they were expecting fruit before the tree had time to grow. He brought before the Board the necessity of securing a fourth teacher again, the attendance being entirely too high.

Mr. Teffy moved, Mr. Duncan seconded, that the thanks of the Board be tendered to Mr. Fotheringham for his attendance at the Board and the important information given.—Carried.

The Board then adjourned to meet at the call of the Chair.

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