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**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

DECIDED TO RE-OPEN THE SCHOOLS ON SEPT. 5TH.

Also Decided to Provide Better Accommodation for Entrance and Departmental Examinations Reports of Committees—Contracts for School Repairs.

The board of education held its regular session on Thursday night, and went through a good crust of business. In the absence of the chairman, Trustee Renton, who is on a trip to the Pacific coast, the chair was occupied by Trustee Lambert, on motion of Trustees Macnee and Elliott. The other members in attendance were: Trustees Anglin, Chown, Craig, Elliott, Farrell, Henderson, Lockett, Lyons, Macnee, Meek, Metcalfe, McLean, Walkem and Wallace.

The following communications were received, and referred to the management committee:

From Elizabeth Gardner and Annie C. Robinson, tendering resignations as public school teachers.  
From Charlotte Green, domestic science teacher, asking that her salary be increased from \$500 to \$600, the increase to begin in September next. It is understood she has received an offer of a position in Ottawa.

From Ruth Macadam, Ruth Langkin, and Dorina Sutherland, all of the Guelph Macdonald Institute, applying for a position as domestic science teachers.

From L. Gertie Hinton, Rose M. Laturney, J. Dolan and Lily Mabey, applying for positions as public school teachers.

From A. A. Jordan, asking the board to again provide for special classes in music, nature study and art, in connection with the model school.

From G. R. Dolan, history master in the Collegiate Institute, requesting the board to place the history department on an equality with the other departments, from a salary point of view.

From G. Bale, of the Collegiate Institute staff, asking for leave of absence on the afternoon of June 6th, 7th and 8th, as important business required him to be out of the city.

From H. Birks & Sons, circular, containing information about coronation medals for children to be supplied by H. Birks & Sons.

These communications were referred to the property committee:

From Thomas Haffner, caretaker of the Frontene school, asking for increase in salary.

From the city clerk, stating that the board is given permission to use the land owned by the city, opposite Frontene school, for playground purposes.

A letter was received from Inspector Stuart, stating that the board's share of the departmental fees is \$214. This amount has been handed to the secretary-treasurer.

**Case of Mr. Bale.**  
The request of Mr. Bale, Collegiate Institute teacher, caused some discussion, as it was found that he had been absent from his duties, without proper authority. The principal stated that he had not given permission, agreeing only to allow him to go away, on condition that he be granted the necessary permission from the board, which it was shown had not been given.

Trustee Meek at once notified the board that he wished to tender his resignation, as he would not attend any more meetings of the management committee simply for the reason that he did not care to have any difficulty with the committee.

Trustee Walkem said that the management committee had no report in regard to the case, but Trustee Meek replied by stating that the matter had been referred to the committee.

Trustee Craid considered the opposition of Trustee Meek, was well taken, owing to the fact that such cases had several times been referred to the management committee, and no action taken, but he did not see why Trustee Meek should want to resign from the committee simply on this account. He should stay on the committee.

Trustees Farrell and McLean were

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**Management Report.**

The public schools and Collegiate Institute close for the mid-summer vacation on the afternoon of Friday, the 23rd inst.

That F. C. Anderson, commercial and art teacher at the Collegiate Institute, be engaged for the year 1911-12 at a salary provided by the salary schedule, viz., \$1,400.

Your committee having received reports from Inspector Stuart and Principal Sliter, on the efficiency of each member of the teaching staff recommends that all the teachers who are not getting the maximum salaries, receive the annual increases as provided by the salary schedules.

Your committee met a deputation from the county council on June 1st, with reference to the admission of county pupils to the Collegiate Institute, but it was found impossible to meet the wishes of the county under existing circumstances.

The first clause of the report, that the schools close on Friday, 23rd inst., caused discussion.

Trustee Elliott moved that the clause be struck out. He believed that the last week of the term was most important to the pupils, as they were preparing for the examination and it would be an injustice to cut them off of a week's work. He believed the scholars were given plenty of holidays.

Trustee Lockett agreed with Trustee Elliott, and seconded the latter's amendment that the clause be struck out.

Trustee Meek said that he was in favor of keeping the schools open. The question had been brought up simply because one teacher had asked for leave of absence.

The amendment to strike out the clause was passed after some discussion, by a vote of seven to six.

**Property Report.**

The report of the property committee was adopted. It recommended:

That contracts for work to be done during the mid-summer vacation be awarded as follows: Carpentry, George Payne, \$165; tin-smithing and supplies, Simmons Bros., \$75.52; painting and frosting windows, W. Savage, \$131, and six cents a pane.

That the request of the teachers of the Collegiate Institute, staff for permission to use the lawn for tennis purposes be granted.

That the request of the Collegiate caretaker that new closet apparatus be placed in his residence be granted; estimated cost, \$30.

That clause 1 of the property committee's report adopted on May 8th, and under which the plans and specifications of the new school were approved by the board, be reconsidered.

That, instead of storm-shut, the Chamberlain weather strip be placed on the window frames throughout the new building. Estimated cost, \$216.

On motion of Trustee Farrell, the matter of securing a suitable playground for Frontene school, was left with the property committee.

On motion of Trustee Meek, it was decided to re-open the schools on September 5th.

**Longer Holidays.**

Trustee Farrell advocated more holidays for the children in the schools. He would like to see the schools closed from June 15th to September 15th. The university, he pointed out, could get through its work with a far shorter session, and he considered it was not right to have children studying in the hot weather.

Trustee Elliott advocated the holding of the examinations for the departmental examinations say at Easter, instead of in July, when it was so warm. If such a recommendation was made to the department he believed it would be granted.

Inspector Stuart followed up the remarks of Trustee Elliott, by stating that the room at the collegiate was very unsuitable for examinations. He had no suggestions for improvements to the present building, but he thought that perhaps a room could be secured at Queen's. The room at the collegiate was very warm, and had a tendency to work as an injury to the pupils. He suggested that electric fans be placed in the room.

On motion of Trustees Farrell and Elliott, the property committee and inspector were given power to secure suitable accommodation for the entrance and departmental examinations, at a reasonable cost.

The report of Inspector Stuart for the month of May showed the attendance of pupils to be 2,209, an increase of nine over May 1910. The average daily attendance was 1,951, an increase of eight. The total kindergarten enrollment was given as 215.

The inspector stated that the departmental examinations would commence on June 29th. Applications had been received for these examinations as follows: Entrance to normal schools, 19; junior matriculation, 95; honor matriculation, 5; scholarship matriculation, 3.

Fees for these examinations were collected to the amount of \$549, of which the sum of \$335, was sent to the education department and \$214 paid to the treasurer of the board.

The report of President Sliter, of the Collegiate Institute, showed 363 on the roll, a decrease of thirty from last year; average attendance, 334; a decrease of sixteen.

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