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ROBERT WALLACE'S TENDER

FOR ERECTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL IS THE LOWEST.

The Figure is \$112,750—Board of Education Accepts It—New Salary Figures Suggested For the Women Teachers.

The Board of Education at its meeting on Thursday night, on the recommendation of the property committee, of which Trustee Godwin is chairman, accepted the tender of Robert Wallace, of this city, for the erection of a brick school of ten rooms in Cataract Ward at a cost of \$112,750, the said tender being the lowest. The tender, of course, is subject to the city council passing a by-law to raise the necessary funds.

Application is to be made forthwith to the city council for the passage of a by-law providing for the raising by debenture of the sum of \$112,000 for the erection of the new school, this being the amount estimated for the total expenditure.

The report of the property committee, which was adopted, read as follows:

Property Committee's Report.
"In accordance with the board's instruction, your committee had the different properties included in the new school site, valued by experts and the figures were \$16,131. The first options, secured by the board amounted to \$16,250. The city solicitor's advice being to avoid expropriation proceedings if possible, on account of expense, new options were secured, the figures being \$17,200. Mr. Whiting forwarded the result to the city council, advising that a resolution for \$17,200 be passed. This was done at the meeting on Monday night last. Notices have been sent to each of the property owners accepting the options, and the purchase is now being put through as quickly as possible, as the options expire on Saturday next.

Tenders were received for the new school building and opened Wednesday evening. Bulk tenders were received from Messrs. McKelvey & Birch, Daniel Smith and Robert Wallace, and separate tenders as follows: Heating and tinsmithing, Elliott Bros. and Simmons Bros.; carpentering, H. Hunter; painting, T. W. Milo; electrical work, H. W. Newman.

"Your committee recommends that the tender of Robert Wallace for a brick building, viz., \$112,750, being the lowest, be accepted, subject to the city council providing the necessary funds.

"That application be made forthwith to the city council for the passage of a by-law providing for the raising by debenture of the sum of \$112,000 for the erection of a new school building in Cataract Ward. The city council was desirous of securing the price on a stone school, but the lowest price for stone was \$121,500, being \$8,500 higher than the tender for the brick school, which was accepted, while there were other tenders for stone higher than the figure quoted. The various amounts for the school are made up as follows to the present estimates:

Building, \$112,750; lots, \$17,200; furnishings, \$4,500; equipment, \$2,500; architect's fees, between \$3,500 and \$3,800; grading, fencing, etc., \$1,900; legal work, \$500.

The cost of the school will be \$8,200 in excess of the estimate secured by the board some months ago, when the erection of a new school was decided upon, and was "held up" by the city council. The extra amount is due to the increased cost of material, which has been going up continually.

Salary of Women Teachers.
The management committee recommended the following: "That the women teachers in the public school receive an increase of \$100 instead of \$50 as provided by the salary schedule of 1920.

That the maximum salary for male principals be \$1,800, with \$200 added for Victoria school, a sixteen-room building.
That the following increases in the salaries of male principals be made, to take effect in January, 1920; Mr. Pittinger, from \$1,700 to \$1,900; Mr. McDougall and Mr. Scott, from \$1,500 to \$1,700.

Discussion on Salaries.
The board discussed the question of salaries of the women teachers, but it was finally decided to leave the matter over to be dealt with by next year's board.

Trustee Macdonald, chairman of the management committee, said that the teachers were organizing all over the province, and making demands. Government reports showed that the cost of living in the last two years had increased over twenty-five per cent.

Mrs. Newlands wanted to go still higher for the women teachers, and give them an increase of \$75 instead of \$50, and moved an amendment to this effect, but got no seconder. She said she recognized the burden placed on the taxpayers, but at the same time she could not but feel that the teachers who were moulding the character of the children should be better paid. It was necessary to pay good salaries in order to get the very best teachers.

Trustee Farrell said there was a

great deal in what Trustee Mrs. Newlands had said, but he felt the matter should be dealt with by the board of next year.

Trustee Campbell wanted to know if the increase decided upon by the committee would be acceptable by the teachers.

Trustee Macdonald said he could not answer this question, as he had not discussed the matter with any of the teachers.

Trustee Henderson wanted to know if the board would have any guarantee that the teachers would be satisfied with the increase mentioned for, say, a year. It had been the custom of the teachers to ask for an increase every little while. The board should pay according to the market for teachers, and go on this principle alone, as representatives of the people.

Mrs. Newlands drew attention to the fact that in Peterboro some time ago schools had to be closed as they could not secure teachers. She did not see why the teachers should have to give a promise to be satisfied with their salary when trouble in industrial lines caused an increase in the cost of living.

Trustee Godwin did not like having requests from the teachers for an increase coming up several times during a year. He thought they should have the salaries fixed for a year, so that requests would not be coming in each year after the budget had been struck.

Chairman Anglin did not consider it fair to say that the women teachers were making requests often. He also considered the proposed increase a modest one.

Trustee Elliott contended that it was a matter that should be dealt with by the board of next year, and as Trustee Macdonald had no objection to allowing the clauses in his report regarding salaries to stand over, they were withdrawn from the report.

The following clauses in the report of the management committee were adopted:

"That the tender of Uglow & Co. for pupils' supplies for the year 1920 be accepted. Only one tender was received. The figures are \$2,311.

That May A. Hiscock be appointed to the Collegiate Institute teaching staff at an initial salary of \$1,200.

Your committee communicated with the Faculty of Education on the request of Messrs. Anderson and Saunders of the Collegiate Institute staff to the effect that the board secure for them the same salary for faculty work this year as they received in the past, and after receiving full information, it cannot see its way clear to recommend any action in the matter on the part of the board.

Reports of Officials.
Inspector J. Russell Stuart presented his report on the attendance for October as follows:

Public school enrollment, 2,725; average attendance, 2,414; Orphans' Home, enrollment, 34; average attendance, 31; total enrollment, 2,759; average attendance, 2,445.

The report of Principal E. O. Sittler on the attendance at the Collegiate Institute for the month of October showed the following:
Enrollment, 599; average attendance, 553. This is an increase of 63 in enrollment and 102 in average attendance over the same month of last year. In October of last year the "flu" epidemic was responsible for the falling off. The attendance is not likely to go higher this year.

The addition of a new teacher in the Collegiate has relieved conditions. The report of the school nurse showed the following: Pupils inspected, 843; instructions given, 62; consultations with parents, 33; home visits, 37; defective vision, 6; defective eye disease, 1; defective hearing, 2; defective nasal breathing, 25; hypertrophied tonsils, 4; enlarged glands, 2; epilepsy, 1; orthopedic defect, 2; malnutrition, 4; defective teeth, 142; skin disease, 21.

Good Work of Cadet Corps.
J. W. Kelly, instructor of the Collegiate Institute Cadet Corps, wrote telling the board about the trophies the cadets won in the recent shooting competition held under the auspices of the Ontario Rifle Association. Two very fine trophies won by the cadets decorated the chairman's desk, and testified to the honors carried off by the local boys.

In this connection the board received a letter from W. Sawyer, captain of the cadet corps, asking the board to pay the cost of the railway transportation of the ten boys who took part in the competition at Toronto. The sum asked for amounted to \$150.

On motion of Trustees Farrell and Renton, the board voted the money to pay for the transportation. The members of the board are greatly pleased over the showing made by the cadets. The boys won very high marks.

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