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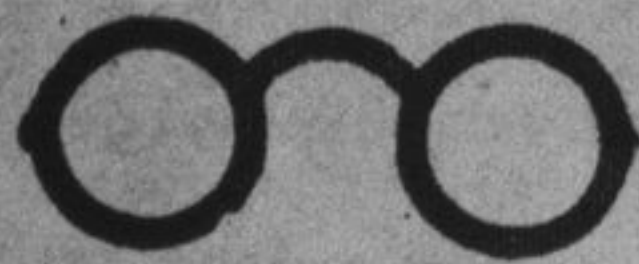
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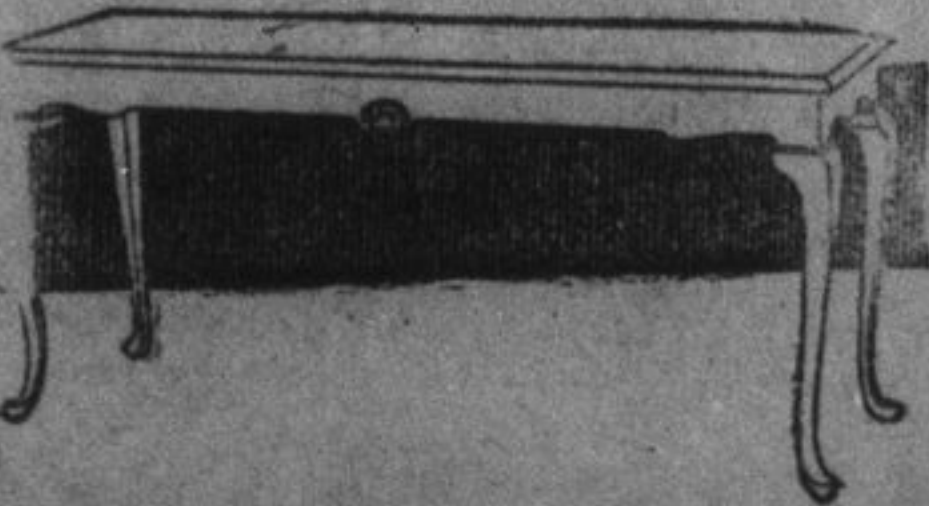
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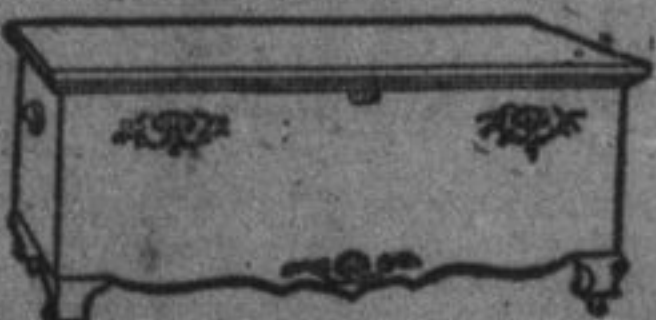
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### SCHOOLS CLOSE DEC. 19TH

BOARD OF EDUCATION HELD FINAL MEETING OF THE YEAR

Work of Excavation Has Been Commenced on the School in Cataract Ward—Request for Teacher of Music in the Schools.

The Board of Education held its last regular meeting for the year 1919, on Thursday night, and passed a list of business, including a resolution of importance to the scholars that of deciding to close the schools for the Christmas holidays on Friday, December 19th. The re-opening takes place on January 5th.

The retiring chairman of the Board, F. R. Anglin, came in for some well-deserved praise, at the close of the meeting, when a resolution was moved by Trustee Renton, seconded by Trustee Macdonald, and carried by a unanimous vote, with much enthusiasm. Mr. Anglin has ably presided as the head of the Board of Education during the year, and the resolution expressed the feeling of all the members of the Board.

The resolution expressed the appreciation of the members over the splendid qualities that have characterized the chairman in his duties during the past year, and Mr. Anglin made a most fitting reply, thanking the members for their warm appreciation of his services.

All the members said, "Hear, Hear!" when Trustee Elliott, who had been moved to the chair for the occasion, tendered to the retiring chairman the thanks of his colleagues.

Following the usual custom (as pointed out by Trustee Craig) who is one of the veteran members of the Board, the members adjourned with the singing of Auld Lang Syne, Trustee Craig leading in the singing.

Afterwards, the members were the guests of the retiring chairman, at a dinner in the New England Restaurant. A report of this event appears elsewhere in this issue.

**Reports of Committees.** Reports were presented by the management and property committees, and both were adopted.

The management committee made these recommendations:

That no reduction be made during 1920 in the remuneration received by the male principals for the year 1919.

That the request of Geo. Palmer, instructor in physical culture in the Collegiate Institute, for an increase of salary be laid over for the next year's Board to deal with.

That no action be taken with regard to the request that the Board become a member of the Association of Urban School Boards.

In compliance with the new School Attendance Act which comes into force on January 1st, and which states that School Boards shall appoint an Attendance Officer, your committee recommends that an appointment under the Act be made, and that your committee be empowered to select a suitable person for the office and recommend his appointment to the Board.

That the request by the Domestic Science teacher that new equipment be purchased at an estimated cost of \$60 be granted.

The following were the recommendations of the Property committee:

That no reduction be made during 1920 in the remuneration received by the caretakers for the year 1919.

That the request of the pupils of the Collegiate Institute for the use of that building for At Home purposes on the night of Dec. 22nd, be granted, providing the affair be under the supervision of the Principal.

The proceedings in connection with the appropriation of the different properties included in the new school site have been completed and payments made to the owners in accordance with the purchase price accepted by the Board, viz. \$17,200.

Buildings which interfered with the work of the contractor have been removed and the work of excavation is proceeding. The contractor has signed an agreement under a penalty of \$50 per week to have the building ready for occupation by May 1st, 1921.

The sums paid on the site, exclusive of the City Solicitor's fees, amount to \$17,781.

**Reports of Officers.** Inspector J. Russell Stuart submitted a report on the attendance at the public schools in November, which showed the following:

Public schools, enrollment, 2,793; average attendance, 2,291; Orphans' Home, 37; average attendance, 33; total enrollment, 2,746; average attendance, 2,324.

The average daily attendance is quite low, due to the prevalence of scarlet fever and chicken pox, with sporadic cases of diphtheria and whooping cough. The number of cases of infectious disease was small towards the end of the month, and the classes are again filling up.

The report of Principal E. O. Slier on the attendance at the Collegiate Institute for the month of November showed the following: On the roll, 591; average attendance, 561. Compared with November, 1918, the enrollment is 56 higher, and the average 81 higher.

The report of the school nurse, Miss Esther Lovick, showed the following: Inspections made, 456; instructions given, 57; consultations smaller size, 5; home visits made, size, 25c. All dealers.

45; defective vision, 7; nasal breathing, 5; enlarged adenoids, 6; defective teeth, 63; skin diseases, 24.

**Closing Of Schools.** On motion of Trustee Macdonald it was decided to close the school for the Christmas holidays on Friday, Dec. 19th. Re-opening will take place on Jan. 5th.

Trustee Lockett drew the attention of the board to report given him that some second-hand brick was being used for the new school.

Trustee Godwin explained that some second-hand brick was being used, but that it was not being used for any of the facings, but merely for filling in. He considered that it would render good service, but it was up to the board to say whether or not this brick should be used.

On motion of Trustee Mills, the matter was referred to the architect for a report.

The communications received by the board included the following:

From Parent-Teachers' Association, Victoria school, asking the board to appoint a teacher in music.

From Edna Singleton, resigning her position as public school teacher.

**To Open Rink.** From Principal E. O. Slier, on behalf of the Kingston Collegiate Institute Athletic Association, asking for a money grant to start a rink on the grounds south of the institute.

Principal Slier estimated that it would cost \$150 to secure the necessary lumber and purchase of hose for the starting of the rink.

Trustee Lockett considered the idea of establishing a rink a splendid one.

On motion of Trustees Godwin and Craig the board decided to grant the sum of \$150, the matter to be referred to the finance and property committees, with power to act.

From the provincial treasurer, submitting cheque with grant for \$350 for the school of navigation.

From the Collegiate Institute Rifle League, thanking the board for their recent grant to help defray expenses of trip to Toronto to take part in competition in which they won high honors.

From Alfred Light, asking for the appointment of instructor of music in the schools.

From the pupils of the Collegiate Institute, asking for the use of the Collegiate Institute for an "At Home" on December 22nd.

From the public school inspector, asking the board to appoint a compulsory attendance officer under the new act, to commence duties on Jan. 1st.

From the domestic science teacher, asking for new equipment, at an estimated cost of \$60.

From W. F. Inman, principal of Central school, asking for an increase in salary.

From J. W. Kelly, inspector of the Collegiate Institute Cadets, drawing the attention of the board to the fact that the Government grants to inspectors had been curtailed.

The chairman, F. R. Anglin, presided at the meeting, and the other members present were Trustees Craig, Mrs. A. Newlands, Miss E. G. Mowat, Godwin, Lockett, Cohen, Lammon, Campbell, Mills, McLean, Benton, Minnes, Macdonald, J. B. Cooke, Elliott and Sawyer.

**At Poole's Resort.** Poole's Resort, Dec. 11.—The bays are frozen over, and skaters are enjoying the glassy ice. Miss Iris Weeks is able to be about again after being confined to the house with jaundice. The condition of William Poole, sr., still remains critical, he is now a paralytic stroke last week.

The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. John Dillcock on Tuesday last. Miss Elsie Wilcox is visiting her sister, Mrs. Burton Poole, Caintown.

Forty-two new cases of smallpox were reported in Toronto on Thursday. It is unlikely that the Provincial Health Board will take action regarding vaccination until the City Council considers the matter on Monday.

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# Saturday

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