

On one occasion years ago a dare devil raftsmen named Jack Curtis made the run down the rapids on a 20 ft. log crib. The crib went to pieces but Jack lived to tell the tale.

In conclusion may I earnestly hope when the clouds of economic depression have disappeared and when the sun of prosperity arises again that the Municipality of Leeds and Lansdowne Rear will place a plaque on the bridge noting the names of John Roddick and Squire Edward Green together with the names of the councillors of 1856-1857 and a suitable inscription.

1856

Reeve - Edward Greene

Council

- Thomas Sheffield
- Simica Washburn
- James Moulton
- Wm. Coleman

Architect-John Roddick

To emphasize the age of the bridge-

- (a) Queen Victoria had ruled 20 years when the work was completed.
- (b) Abraham Lincoln became president of United States when the bridge was 5 years old.
- (c) Confederation did not take place in Canada until the bridge was 10 years old.

FULLER'S BUSINESS DIRECTORY OF LEEDS AND GRENVILLE 1866-1867

Population of Lyndhurst - 100
Distance from Brockville - 28 mi.

1. Mrs. Cheetham - Milliner and dress maker.
2. R. Cheetham - Blacksmith.
3. R. Cook - Blacksmith.
4. William Curtis - Hotel Keeper.
5. Daniel B. Kidder - Miller.
6. C. Lee - Cooper.
7. Robt. Lee - Boot and Shoe maker.
8. William P. Lee - Post master.
9. Saunders and Roddick - General merchants, Flour, grist, carding and fulling mill owners.
10. James Saunders - Millwright.
11. John C. Stafford - Carpenter and builder.
12. Calvin Struthers - Justice of the Peace.
13. Michael Welch - Wagon maker.
14. George Wing - Chair and Bedstead manufacturer.
15. James Wing - Cabinet maker.

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LYNDHURST SCHOOLS

The first school at Lyndhurst of which there is record was in 1851. However, previous to this classes were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The first trustees were Alonzo Washburn, Robert Lee and Alexander Cameron, who was also Postmaster. John Irving Scott was the first teacher and he received a salary of £80 a year and was boarded at the homes of the parents.

The school was a building where Mrs. Gamble's residence is located across the road from the United Church.

On Oct. 15, 1852, Lucy Anne McNish who had been hired to teach in April of that year refused to teach in the building because of its bad state of repair, several windows being out and a portion of the roof open to the weather. The building was not owned by the school trustees so they refused to repair it. However, a deed was later obtained and the school house was repaired.

Each pupil attending school paid a fee which was used to pay the teacher's salary. Each pupil also supplied his or her own chair as well as a certain amount of wood. New School 1860 - When the clergy reserves were disposed of, the school section decided to use its share to construct a new school. A special meeting was held on Jan. 28, 1859 at which two sites were suggested.

First Site - North west of the bridge not far from Wm. Cook's which was also north of A.J. Love's dwelling. Second Site - At the east end of the village at the top of grave yard hill on the north side of Charles Street.

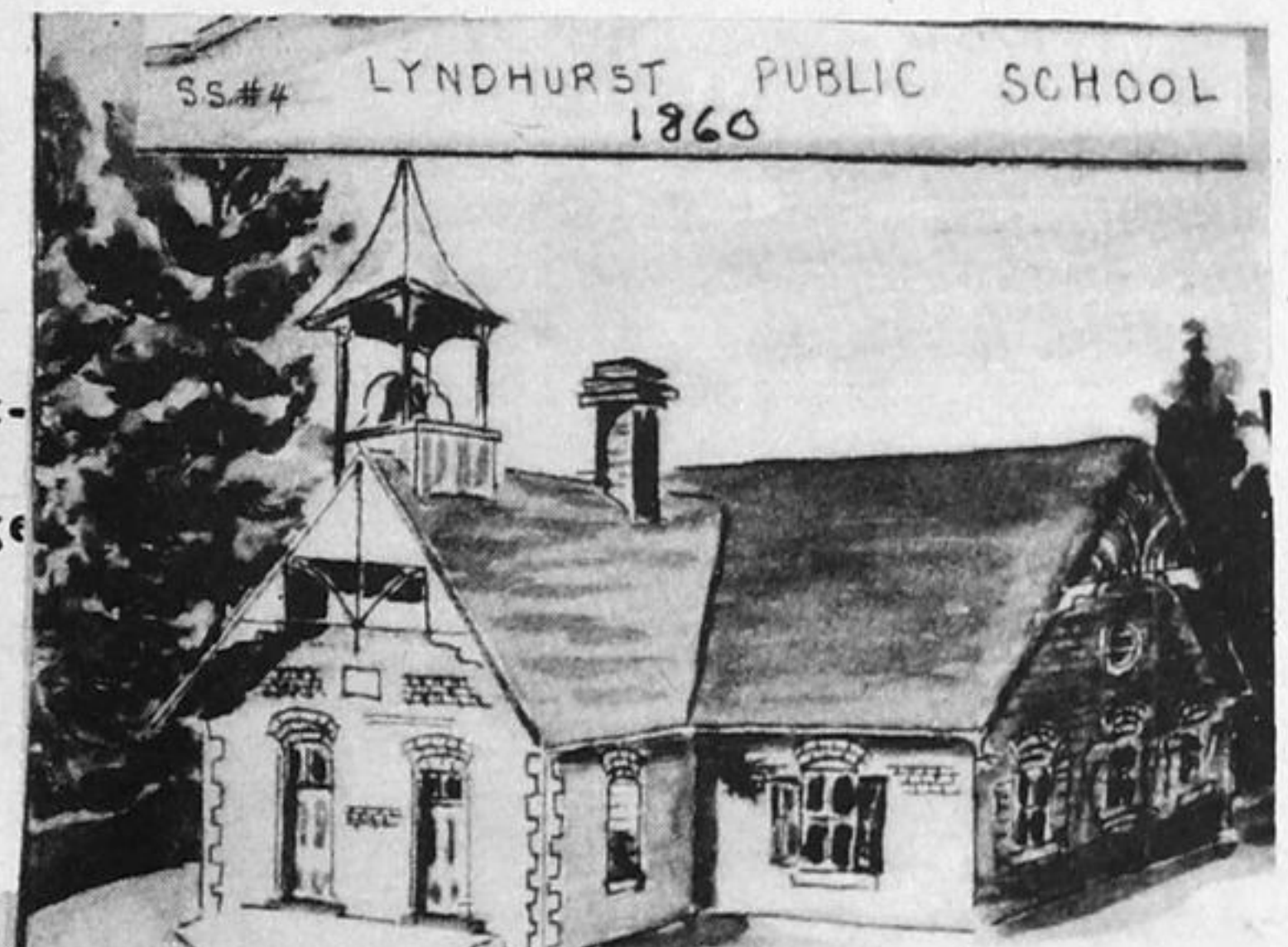
The second site was chosen and surveyed by Thomas Bowers. In the spring of 1860 construction of a brick school 24 ft. by 36 ft. was started at a cost of approximately \$800.00.

Trustees - W.H. Stafford, Rowland Stafford and William Saunders. The first teacher was Thomas Webster and he was followed by William A. Eaton.

The drinking water was obtained from a spring near Lyndhurst Lake at the east side of Keith Harvey's house.

In 1865 a motion was carried to have money for the school expenses and teacher's salary raised by taxation. School was carried on in this building, often with 60 or more pupils attending until the school population became so great that a new school was necessary.

School No. 3 - William Webster drew up plans for this school and the contract tender of \$1455 was awarded to Mr. F.B. Sheffield. The school was built in the summer and Autumn of 1898. While the school was being built, classes were held across the road in St. Luke's hall with Andrew Gray teacher for a time followed by John B. Harvey who



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