

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Much Minor Business Transacted—Miss McLeod to Give Talks in Schools on Scientific Temperance—Public School Report—Mr. L. E. Allen's Report on Q.M.S. Basement Floor Read.

From Saturday's Daily. The Board of Education held its first regular business session of the year last night at the City hall. In the absence of Col. Ponton, Mr. S. S. Moore was chosen chairman of the meeting. The members present were F. S. Deacon, John Elliott, J. B. Ives, B. Mallory, A. McGee, A. J. McCrodon, S. S. Moore, L. C. Pascoe, F. Sharpe, P. J. Wims, and Geo. T. Woodley.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes D. Watkins (60), Green Company (1.40), Geo. Boyle (2.11), Wm. McNeil (26.52), T. Barrage (2.00), Trenton Electric Co. (6.95), Canadian Express Co. (35), J. W. Walker (4.33), Sun Hardware Co. (12.70), G. A. Keith (2.50), McMillan Co. (12.70), Ritchie Co. (12.98), Schuster Co. (106.85), Pease Foundry Co. (9.00), Citizens Dairy (15.96), W. R. Vallance (20), L. E. Allen (15.00), M. Alford (2.90), P. C. McLain (4.97), Geo. M. Hendry Co. (9.20).

A report was read from Dr. Clinton as to the sanitary conditions in the schools. In the Queen Alexandra and Queen Victoria schools there is one defect as to sanitary condition. The High school is much improved but "Grier street school is a back number" in sewage, heating, etc.

A letter from Mr. R. D. Fairbairn, technical education was read. He offered any assistance he could in promoting an interest in technical education.

A letter from Col. Ponton stated that the High School Rifles had not yet been returned.

A letter from Principal M. W. Mott, of Queen Alexandra school, referred to the test treatment for basements and the evening classes for girls.

Major A. E. Bywater, adjutant of the 88th Battalion, stated that the militia were ready to take over the Pinnacle street school, but did not care to assume the responsibility for certain chattels contained therein.

The Board has had them removed since to Octavia street school. The chairman of the school was authorized to hand over the key to the proper military authorities.

The problem of the boilers in the schools was discussed in correspondence with the Casualty and Liability Company. It was urged after the heating season that check valves be installed.

No action will be taken immediately on this question. Correspondence relative to Miss Urquhart's vacation until the end of March was read. Miss Urquhart thanked the chairman and board in a letter for their generosity in allowing her a rest for two months. The action of the chairman and committee was endorsed.

Other communications referred to the honor rolls of the schools, a grant to the High School Athletic Association, and lectures in scientific temperance by Miss McLeod.

A deputation of the Belleville W.C.T.U. appeared before the Board of Education asking permission for Miss Moore to be appointed to the Provincial W.C.T.U. in the classes in the Belleville schools on scientific temperance.

Mrs. Dempsey suggested that Miss McLeod be allowed the permission. There will be no expending on connection with the talks which will be suited to classes.

Board went into committee of the whole. Mr. Elliott in the chair. Mr. Deacon moved that the request of the W.C.T.U. delegates be granted and that the details of arrangements be left in the hands of the chairman of school management.—Carried unanimously.

Mrs. Dempsey thanked the board on behalf of the W.C.T.U. The Finance Committee's report was adopted as follows:

Belleville Gas Dept. \$3.13, Intelligent Printing Co. 7.75, Geo. M. Hendry Co. 3.55, Geo. A. Bennett 16.11, W. P. Clarke 3.30, Bell Telephone Co. .60, Peter Tripp .50, Ernest Bunnell 1.00, Canadian Express 10.25, Tickell & Sons 10.25, R. Elvins 1.50.

Remains Reached City. The remains of the late Harry Nash, who was killed at Blind River, Algoma, on February 13th, while loading timber on a sleigh, arrived here and were taken to the residence of Mrs. James Alexander, Station street, cousin of the deceased man.

Rumor From Front. There was a rumor around town this morning that a Belleville artillery man of the First Contingent had been shot, but the report could not be traced to its source. No confirmation of it could be obtained.

Committed For Trial. A man was committed for trial at Trenton yesterday on a charge laid under the Charlton act. Crown Attorney Anderson of this city attended the preliminary hearing.

The Temple of Fame. At Bowmanville on Monday and Tuesday nights the opera house was thronged to witness the presentation of "The Temple of Fame" by the capable local talent of that town. Our old friend Thomas Holgate of Foxboro was present and very helpfully assisted with the singing. Of the part taken by Mr. Holgate The News says: "Mr. Thos. S. Holgate made a capital Ruffo and his magnificent voice was heard to splendid advantage in his solo 'Mother Machree.' He had to respond to a rapturous recall."

Delightful Tea at Mrs. Reid's. Mrs. C. M. Reid gave such a delightful tea yesterday afternoon. The guests which numbered about thirty were asked to bring their knitting.

Letters From Germany. Rev. J. Egan this morning showed The Ontario some letters he had received from his son-in-law Mr. Elmer Luck, now detained in Germany. It will be recalled that Mr. Luck was pursuing a post-graduate course at Leipzig University when war was declared, and as a member of one of the Allied nations he was placed under arrest.

Letters From Germany. Mr. Luck is now at Chemnitz, a city in southern Germany. He is stopping at a boarding house and is granted freedom except that he must report at police headquarters twice a day. His two children are with him and are attending school.

Letters From Germany. The letters were forwarded by an American who was leaving the country. He recommended them to Mr. L. Luck, who in turn forwarded them to Mr. Egan. The letters are dated Jan. 21, Dec. 23, Jan. 6, and a card Jan. 19.

Letters From Germany. Messrs. D. Ketcheson and Arthur Johnson of the 1st Battalion, at Kingston, are in this city today, visiting relatives.

Letters From Germany. The weather clerk is a gallant gentleman. He provided perfect weather for the Ladies' Tankard Tournament yesterday and to-day. We were on the side, smiling at the faces of a winning rink, and bright as their eyes and ice inside of perfect quality. The tournament was about forty outside ladies curlers, including camp followers from east and west as far as Kingston and Toronto, and south as far as Belleville; and a good field of enthusiasts of local ladies—two rinks of lady curlers—ton rinks altogether.

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DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUE CONVENTION LARGELY ATTENDED

A Most Successful Rally of Progressive Church Workers Held at Foxboro.

The League of Belleville District held their annual convention in Foxboro Methodist Church, Monday, Feb. 15, 1915. The forenoon session was opened at 10.15 by Mr. W. H. Finkle, of Bay-side, who conducted the devotional exercise in the absence of the president, Rev. F. G. Joblin, who was unable to be present, owing to illness.

Rev. Dr. Stephenson, Secretary of Forward Movement then gave a most excellent address upon the Christian Endeavour Department of our League and put the emphasis entirely upon personal work urging every christian to go forth to strive to gain the 'one' individual for Christ. He brought out his admonitions by examples from his every-day experiences and the discussion which followed was straight testimony to the fact that he had made workers of many who have been his converts.

Next followed the roll-call by the Secretary of the District to which the following Leagues responded: West Belleville, Tabernacle, Wesley, Whitby, St. Luke's, Stone Church, Fairbridge, Scott's, Foxboro, Zion Hill, Plains, Melrose, Holloway and Tabernacle and White's Junior Leagues. West Huntingdon reported good news for sound reorganization as soon as practicable.

The delegates for the forenoon were very agreeably billeted among the friends of the village within a few moments after the session had formally closed.

The afternoon session began as announced and on the opening exercises being led by Rev. Jones and Roberson of Shannonville was absent. Prayers of very inspirational nature were offered by Messrs. Wickett and Deacon.

After the appointing of a Nominating and Business Committee and the receiving of several local reports, Rev. C. S. Reddick, B.A., of West Huntingdon, gave an address on the missionary experiences and the work which will not permit the work of this very excellent version, but he caused us to see ourselves from the Indian's standpoint and to believe that we must have a complete readjustment of our minds in dealing with these staid workers. Our Government should not discriminate in the administration of justice between white and Indian offenders and the Church must reform in its dealing with the Indian and so aid the Indian directly and indirectly. Honesty is our best policy. The league can help to educate the public towards this end. The worst curse comes through the Liquor Traffic.

Mr. J. MacPherson followed with an eloquent appeal on behalf of the Citizenship Department for high idealism in the young men. He claimed that the possibilities of a true man and boy proved that every time he makes a good choice, gives a good paper or etc., he is bringing near to us the ideal manhood. He claimed that partyism was a must and can be overcome by true patriotism taught a young boy. Owing to the difficulty of securing timely topics he recommended that every 4th vice-president send a monthly report of the citizenship meeting to the District Vice and so form a sort of Information Bureau for the department.

In the discussion, which followed Mr. MacPherson being asked about the part our girls have in the consideration, replied "It is easy to make our girls." Rev. W. G. Clarke led in a very interesting discussion of both preceding addresses and in the absence of Miss Bradley, Deaconess, of Belleville, emphasized the importance of establishing Junior Leagues as they must be the recruiting ground for the Epworth Leagues. To the lack of these he attributed the wane in League interest in some parts of our country.

An excellent chorus was next rendered by the young ladies of Foxboro. By the request of several an impromptu report of the Boys' Conference of Peterboro was given by Mr. J. MacPherson.

The Round Table Conference and reference was made to the regrettable fact that our late General Conference at Ottawa refused equal right to women and most organizations was emphasized in all our department of work. Missions was proved to be the big theme for Christians because of its unselfishness and the speaker announced a scheme for our district which was later adopted most heartily. The session was closed regularly and upon the paying of a nominal fee the many delegates and friends were a great delight.

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The Nominating Committee's report was read by C. S. Reddick was received and adopted as follows: District officers for ensuing year: District president, W. H. Finkle; Missionary, Rev. C. S. Reddick, West Huntingdon; Secretary and social, Miss E. Adams, Foxboro; Citizens, Mr. J. McPherson, Trenton, R. F. D. No 5; Junior League, Miss F. Bradley (Deaconess), Bridge St. church, Foxboro; Secretary Treasurer, Rev. T. M. Sharpe, Stone Church Circuit.

Recommendations: 1. That Rev. Dr. Osterhout, of Vancouver, Superintendent of Orientation be our F. M. representative to be supported by District League, Sunday Schools and Albert College.

That Rev. Jones and Mr. H. K. Denyes be a committee to arrange with the Sunday School executive in this matter. That Rev. C. S. Reddick, Mr. H. K. Denyes, Mr. J. MacPherson and Revs. Jones, Joblin and Sharpe be a Campaign Committee along with the chairman of the district to put the merits of our F. M. Appeal before the district.

The introduction of officers elect followed and in the regretted absence of Rev. Mr. Joblin, the chair was assigned to the district secretary. After a very nice orchestra number Rev. W. Clarke, chairman of the district, gave a comprehensive review of the peculiar crisis through which our District League has passed in the last three years, referring to the removal of our various presidents, Mr. J. Arthur Marsh, Mr. Denyes and Rev. A. L. Brown from various causes and the future change to take place in the ensuing conference, saying farewell to the leaguers from the standpoint of his office. He exhorted us all to diligence and faithfulness, pointing to a modern example in Dr. Stephenson who in a recent visit to Belleville had spoken to seven organizations or giving experiences among the Indian Mission of our conference he merely named them and gave his time to Dr. Stephenson.

His closing illustration was most helpful to all present and should be passed on and on. Among the Indians of Rice Lake he learned that the rice, plant, in spite of its roots and lower stems being located in the water, must still have the dew and rain of heaven to make it fruitful. Just so he argued do we all, though born living in a Christian land, individually need the personal blessing which alone can come from God by communion with Him and His Son.

A mixed quartette of the Foxboro people gave a very fine number while the offering was taken. Dr. Stephenson's closing address made an abiding impression from the description of many of the scenes of his childhood and some of the struggles then, down to the description of the Japs and Chinese who are even now, among us and coming more and more. He reviewed the debt which we owe to the Indian and attacked our mistaken ideas concerning his ways maintaining that we make Indian, Jap, or Chinaman very much what they seem by our methods of dealing with them. He claimed and proved that love could and can transform these people referring to Rev. Dr. Osterhout's work and Rev. Arthur Ozawa as an example of what we ought to expect. He urged us to our best efforts to make this year a record year, for every phase of the work not forgetting that the Christian Endeavour is our foundation. During the different sessions votes of thanks were tendered to Miss E. Adams for her excellent work as District Secretary for over five years and to the orchestra for the sweet music; also to those from a distance who had aided in the literary part of the program and to the Foxboro people for their kindness and Windsor, daily except Sunday, will be discontinued beyond Chatham.

Further particulars from Canada and Pacific Ticket Agents, or write M. G. Murphy, District Passenger Agent, Toronto.

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LARGE MARKET TODAY From Saturday's Daily. Belleville market this morning profited by the beautiful February weather which has been experienced this week. The attendance was extremely large and the influence of the bright sunlight was reflected in the market transactions. Selling was fairly quiet.

New Industry. Messrs. McLean, Strudwick and Delyea have secured a site from Messrs. Fair & Mullett, adjoining the electric light plant, and are already at work on the foundation for a planing mill. They will use water power. This is an industry that will be a great benefit to the village.—Baneroff Times.

\$1,000 Contribution to Patriotic Fund. The Finance Committee of the County Council met in Shire Hall on Friday afternoon and authorized the contribution of \$1,000 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund. In January session the council gave authority to the Finance Committee to deal with aid for patriotic purposes.

Changes in Train Service Canadian Pacific Railway, Effective Monday, March 1st. Effective Monday, March 1st, Trains Nos. 719 and 722 of the Elora, Sub-division will run as mixed trains instead of straight passenger, daily except Sunday, on the following schedule:—

No. 719 will leave Cataract Jct. 10.15 a.m., Erin 10.45, Hillsburg 11.05, Orton 11.30, Belwood 11.55, Spier 12.05 p.m., Fergus 12.35, arriving Elora 12.45 p.m. No. 722 will leave Elora 3.15 p.m., Fergus 3.55, Spier 4.05, Belwood 4.30, Orton 4.55, Hillsburg 5.25, Erin 5.50, arriving Cataract Jct. 6.10 p.m.

Effective same date, Trains Nos. 671 and 672 now running between London and Windsor, daily except Sunday, will be discontinued beyond Chatham.

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Tooke's Shirts. Wm. Lake of Cardiff started out on Saturday morning on a bear hunt. He lost his bearings and wandered around until nearly midnight on Sunday, when he found himself at Mr. W. Kidd's house. The whole neighborhood was out searching for him.—Baneroff Times.

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