

REPORTS.

Report of Special Committee to Strike the Standing Committees.

Your Committee beg to report as follows:

EDUCATION.—D. A. McArthur, chairman; Messrs. Fraser, McNaughton, Cameron, Elder, R. J. Thompson, Bennett, Mulhern, Redmond, Sweet, Coulthart, Kennedy.

FINANCE AND ASSESSMENT.—A. Harkness, chairman; Messrs. Dickey, Coulthart, Sweet, Kerr, J. M. Campbell, A. G. McArthur, O'Callaghan, McCallum, Cameron, McNaughton, Fraser, D. A. McArthur.

COUNTY PROPERTY.—J. Bennett, chairman; Messrs. Dickey, Coons, Locke, Kennedy, Patton, Fulton, McMillan, Mulhern, Rowe, McViechie, A. A. Stewart, D. C. Campbell.

ROADS.—George Kerr, chairman; Messrs. A. A. Stewart, Whitaker, Coons, Everetts, Patton, Fulton, Hodgins, H. Thompson, Meyers, Warner, D. C. Campbell, McKenzie.

PRINTING.—George Graham, chairman; Messrs. Whitaker, Everetts, Karens, Redmond, Hodgins, Connolly, H. Thompson, Meyers, O'Callaghan, Warner, McLennan, McKenzie.

COMMUNICATIONS.—J. M. Campbell, chairman; Messrs. Harkness, Locke, Karens, Connolly, McMillan, A. G. McArthur, Rowe, R. J. Thompson, McLennan, Elder, McCallum, McViechie.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. HARKNESS, Chairman.
Committee Room, Jan. 23, 1889.

Report of the Committee on Printing.

To the Warden and Council of the United Counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry.

All the members present.

Your Committee on Printing beg leave to report that the Minutes of the Council reached the Clerk in due time—December 1st, 1888—and all promptly forwarded by him to the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the Municipalities. Your Committee would recommend that sixteen hundred copies of the Minutes be printed for the current year, quality of paper and workmanship to be equal to that of last year, and to be delivered before December 1st, 1889. By an oversight the Rules and Regulations of the Council were not inserted in the Minutes of last year as suggested by the Committee, and we would recommend that they be printed with the Minutes and as part of them for the current year. We recommend that the Clerk notify all the newspaper publishers in the United Counties that sealed tenders will be received for the printing of the Minutes up till seven o'clock p. m., Thursday, January 24th, and that tenders for the publication of the Minutes be received up to the same time. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted in either case. The terms and conditions not herein mentioned shall be those set forth in the Report of 1888, and usually followed. Tenders to be addressed to the Warden.

Signed on behalf of the Committee.

G. P. GRAHAM, Chairman.
Committee Room, Jan. 24, 1889.

The above Report was amended in Committee of the Whole, as follows: That 500 copies of the Financial Detailed Statement of the Treasurer, such as published in the Minutes, to be printed after the January session, the cost of which is to be included in tender for Minutes.

G. P. GRAHAM, Chairman.

Report of County Property Committee.

All the members present.

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have examined the Gaol and Offices, and find all in good order and comfortable for the occupants.

In conformity with our report of 18th October last, a new floor has been put in the criminals' room in the North-west corner of the Gaol.

Your Committee would also draw the attention of the Council to the duties of the Caretaker, as defined in the report of Counties' Property Committee of January 27th, 1887, and to recommend that it be distinctly understood that he shall have charge of both furnaces and that he will be under the supervision of the Treasurer at all times.

Your Committee find that J. Dingwall, Esq., County Attorney, has not furnished his office in accordance with the supplementary report of your Committee of last October, the amount being placed at his disposal being too small to procure all the articles enumerated. Your Committee would therefore recommend a further grant of twenty-five dollars.

Your Committee would suggest that as the present system of lighting the Counties' buildings is condemned by the Underwriters Association as dangerous, and will necessitate an increased rate of insurance on Counties property, and having heard a statement from the manager of the Gas Company that if the present plan is declared to be unsafe that there is a reasonable prospect of a return to the old system of gas; therefore your Committee would recommend that Mr. Mattee have power to make arrangements to have the buildings lighted until the meeting of the Council in June, when final arrangements could be made.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN BENNETT, Chairman.

Report of Committee on Communications.

All the members present.

Your Committee beg leave to report as follows:

It is recommended that the petition of the Prisoners' Aid Association of Canada be granted, and that the sum of ten dollars be paid by the County Treasurer to said association.

The memorial to the Council from the city of Ottawa, asking its co-operation in a petition to the Legislature to abolish the present system of exemption from municipal taxation, is recommended.

The petition from the County of Oxford, praying for such legislation as will prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors as a beverage in the Dominion, is approved, and it is recommended that the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign said petition on behalf of this Council.

Certain communications with reference to non-resident lands and sales for taxes, and also to an amendment to the Act affecting the construction of roads in townships, have not been approved.

The contents of a few other petitions were laid over for future consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. M. CAMPBELL, Chairman.
Committee Room, Jan. 24, 1889.

Report of Road Committee.

All the members present.

Your Committee have had before them a petition from the Municipal Council of Williamsburgh, asking leave to open a road in