

BUSY SESSION OF TRUSTEES

School Board Put Through
Considerable Business in
Short Order.

Cost of Heating Schools Con-
sidered—Encouraging Report
of the Inspector.

The session of the Public School Board last night was a busy and short one. The attendance was just fair, there being present:—Chairman John McCordie, and Trustees Wm. Robertson, R. M. Paxton, Wm. Bensen, W. N. Morley, Wm. Cornish and Inspector Robert Park.

A communication re fire extinguishers for the schools was referred to the supply committee with power.

Mr. Morley reported that an offer had been received for the King street property.

Trustee Bensen for the Supply committee, reported that the Committee had been looking into the cost of fuel for the schools.

Mr. Bensen said the cost of heating the schools under the steam system, and with wood is something enormous and suggested that something be done at once.

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Mr. Morley—The heat seems to go up and out the chimney more than into the school.

Mr. Robertson—The cost of heating is something awful. The big downstairs kindergarten at the Central has not been used for two weeks because it was so cold. Something must be done at once.

The motion of Mr. Bensen carried unanimously.

The Kindergarten Committee was given power to purchase a sand tray for McKeough school kindergarten.

The following accounts were passed:—

CENTRAL SCHOOL.

Teachers' salaries, \$588.27.
Miss M. McCormick, \$29.16.
Four substitutes, \$30.00.
W. W. Snell, janitor, \$64.66.
The Planet, \$5.50.

VonGutten Bros., \$2.50.
J. C. Wanless, \$30.30.
Thomas Stone & Son, 67c.
Coltart & Wilson, \$8.25.
James Watt & Sons, \$16.80.
Waterworks, \$35.24.
W. J. Kenny, \$40.60.

McKEOUGH SCHOOL.

Teachers' salaries, \$319.54.
Miss Walker, \$4.50.
D. C. Clements, \$45.83.
The Planet, \$2.94.
Daily News, \$3.00.
Waterworks, \$3.95.
W. J. Kenny, \$20.38.

KINDERGARTENS.

Central, teachers, \$83.74.
W. J. Kenny, 75c.
McKeough, teachers, \$65.33.
Maple Leaf Laundry, \$1.50.
Westman Bros., 85c.
Wm. Anderson 15c.
Daily News, \$2.25.
Mrs. J. E. Weldon, \$1.20.
W. J. Kenny, \$4.90.

FUEL ACCOUNT.

W. W. Baxter, \$57.
C. R. Hancock, \$21.28.

P. D. Campbell, \$559.00.

D. Jordan, \$45.50.

W. J. Moore, \$10.13.

GENERAL ACCOUNT.

Bank of Montreal, \$3.98.

W. A. Needham, \$1.00.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Chatham, Jan. 30, 1904.

The Public School Board of the City of Chatham.

Gentlemen,—The following is a statement of the attendance at the public schools of the city of Chatham for the months of January, 1904:

McKEOUGH SCHOOL.

The following is the class, teacher,

number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

Jr. 1.—Nellie Young, 46, 38, 83.
Sr. 1.—Ella Longwell, 43, 37, 86.
Sr. 1.—Florence Nichol, 41, 36, 88.

Jr. 2.—Gertie Holmes, 41, 36, 88.
Sr. 2.—George Morrison, 38, 35, 92.
Jr. 3.—Kate Garrett, 46, 40, 87.
Sr. 3.—Martha Irving, 50, 43, 86.

Jr. 4.—Minnie Samson, 49, 46, 94.
Sr. 4.—Esther Abram, 41, 38, 93.

CENTRAL SCHOOL.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

Jr. 1.—Edith Tackaberry, 49, 37, 76.
Sr. 1.—Annie McKellar, 47, 36, 77.
Sr. 1.—Susie Barassin, 43, 35, 81.

Jr. 2.—S. C. Irwin, 60, 48, 78.
Sr. 2.—E. M. Arnold, 53, 44, 82.
Sr. 2.—Marion McColl, 32, 25, 78.

Jr. 3.—Alice E. Mounteer, 58, 49, 84.
Sr. 3.—Gertrude McPherson, 46, 36, 80.

Jr. 4.—Laura Ryan, 49, 44, 90.
Sr. 4.—L. M. Gordon, 30, 25, 85.
Sr. 4.—Alice Birch, 51, 47, 92.

Jr. 5.—Lottie Thomson, 49, 45, 92.
Sr. 5.—Ida Hillman, 32, 25, 81.
Sr. 5.—J. W. Flewce, 53, 50, 94.

KINDERGARTEN—McKEOUGH.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

Victoria Aylesworth, 45, 31, 69.

KINDERGARTEN—CENTRAL.

The following is the class, teacher, number of scholars enrolled, average attendance and percentage of attendance:

A. M. Lily Green, 47, 36, 55.
P. M. Helen McTaggart, 45, 27, 60.

The following are the totals of enrollment, average and percentage:

McKeough School, 395, 350, 89.
Central School, 775, 661, 85.
Kindergarten, 137, 84, 61.

Totals, 1307, 1096, 84.
Jan. 1903, 1307, 1133, 87.

The number enrolled, 1307 is 44 greater than for December, and the same as for January, 1903. The average attendance 1096, is nine less than for December and 38 less than for January, 1903. The falling off is in the junior rooms, and is due to the excessively cold weather.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,

ROBERT PARK,
Inspector of Public Schools,
West Kent and Chatham.

Thomas C. Macnabb, Esq.,
Secretary Public School Board,
Chatham, Ont.

Money! Money!

Parties wanting money to pay off a mortgage or to buy a house and lot will find it to their interest to call and see SMITH & SMITH, who have money to loan at lowest rates of interest. Office opp. the Market.

IS WELL KNOWN IN BURK'S FALLS

There are Numerous Witnesses
of Mrs. Adams' Sickness
and Cure.

She Surely Had Bright's Disease
in its Very Worst
Stages.

And Just as Surely was Completely
Cured by Dodd's Kidney
Pills.

Burk's Falls, Ont., Feb. 1.—(Special).—Mrs. Thomas Adams, of Collingwood, whose almost miraculous recovery from Bright's Disease in its worst stages has caused a sensation in the medical world, is well known in Burk's Falls. She resided here for years before removing to Collingwood, and it was while living here that she was stricken with the terrible disease that sweeps so many into the grave.

Mrs. Adams has many friends still living in Burk's Falls, and they well remember the nights, suffering invalid, who in March, 1900, looked as if her only relief lay in death itself. They can recall how when the dread words "Bright's Disease" fell from the doctor's lips, the report went around that Mrs. Adams' illness was sealed, that she would never rise from the bed of suffering on which she lay. They can recall how their sympathy went out to the little children who would soon be motherless.

WHAT CAUSED THE CURE.

Then while they waited and watched for the end, a gradual improvement came over the sufferer. It was hardly noticeable at first, but as she grew stronger and was at length able to leave her bed and give to her children a mother's care, they wonderingly asked the cause. And then the truth came out. Mrs. Adams had on the advice of a friend placed her trust in the reliable Kidney remedy, Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Slowly but surely Mrs. Adams' strength came back till she was going about as if Bright's Disease had never held her in its clutches. Still the skeptics refused to believe, "It is only one of the vagaries of the disease," they said. "It will come back with the winter." But winter came and went. Another summer and another winter passed, and to-day Mrs. Adams is able to say, "I have had no return of the trouble since Dodd's Kidney Pills brought me back from the brink of the grave."

And now all Burk's Falls, all those who knew Mrs. Adams in sickness and health, are forced to admit Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her Bright's Disease, and cured it to stay.

Nothing has the lesson taught by Mrs. Adams' case been lost. People recognize the fact that if she had cured her pain in the back with Dodd's Kidney Pills, she would never have had Bright's Disease.

If the Cobden Club breaks up, will Sir Wilfrid b under the necessity of having to keep that medal?

The most desirable lots in the city to-day for sale, are those still left in the Athletic Grounds survey. They are the most convenient to churches, market, stations, and are by long odds, the best value in the city. One still left on last year's portion of William street pavement and five on the new portion, with a number still left on Queen and College streets. Terms easy. For particulars apply to D. McLeachlan, William street.

KING EDWARD VII. OPENS PARLIAMENT

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drains that marked the opening of Parliament to-day. For the first time in years Joseph Chamberlain took his seat as a private member of the House of Commons, and was separated from his former colleagues in the Cabinet by the gangway. From this seat he saw his son act as leader of the House of Commons, a position which Joseph Chamberlain, with all his years of Parliamentary experience, never attained. Premier Balfour was unable to be present because of influenza.

When Austen Chamberlain rose to reply in behalf of the party of which his own father is supposed to be the most powerful member, the House was spell-bound. It had been expected Sir Asquith-Douglas would take the Premier's place, and interest was also heightened by the fact that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader, had just concluded a merciless satire on Joseph Chamberlain. The situation was without parallel in the recollection of the oldest Parliamentarian, and all eyes were fixed alternately upon the father and the son.

Joseph Chamberlain, who had sat unmoved under the ridicule of the Liberal leader, turned nervously towards his son, who now takes precedence over him. With his monocle in his eye, an orchid in his buttonhole and his hands clasped across his knees, the most prominent figure in the British Empire listened while his son defended him. Austen Chamberlain spoke haltingly and under evident strain; yet, when he referred to his father, it was always as "the member from West Birmingham."

Now and again jeers greeted Austen Chamberlain, whereupon with unmistakable anger, his father turned his glance in the direction of the offender, and occasionally Joseph Chamberlain cheered his son on. As Austen Chamberlain neared the conclusion of his defence of the attitude of Premier Balfour and his father towards the fiscal question the interruptions grew more frequent, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer clutched the brass-bound treasury box on which Gladstone was so fond of leaning, and addressed his remarks almost solely in the direction of his father. Defiantly Austen Chamberlain accused Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman of attacking the Premier in his absence, and with a touch of pride he said,—"The member from West Birmingham is here; let us speak for and look after himself."

The House frankly expressed its relief when the speech was over, and generally termed the proceedings as one of the most extraordinary personal situations that ever had occurred, and the speech as one of the weakest defenses of the Government's policy ever made.

On behalf of Premier Balfour, Austen Chamberlain declared the House of Commons must first decide whether or not it desired any change at all in the fiscal system, and until that point was settled the Opposition demands for details of the Government's fiscal reform plan could not be granted.

In the House of Commons the Unionist party cleavage was most apparent, for Chas. T. Ritchie (former Chancellor of the Exchequer), and Lord Geo. Hamilton (former Secretary for India), both took their seats below the gangway and directly in front of Joseph Chamberlain, and, curiously enough, between Lord Hugh Cecil, the bitter opponent of the former Colonial Secretary, and Jesse Collings, his most faithful adherent. As one man said,—"Everything is at sixes and sevens."

MORLEY'S AMENDMENTS.

The text of the amendment to the address in the reply to the speech from the throne, which is

YOUR CLOTHING IDEAS.

Speaking of clothing stores it may be bad form to boast, but as the candid man said "What is a fellow to do?"

Our three stores are good stores; customers affirm it, opposition dealers know it, and we cannot help being somewhat aware of it ourselves.

But then it wasn't only T. & D. ideas that made this business grow and succeed. To the customer belongs a big share of the credit. We must meet your notion of the best storekeeping or you would not come here so confidently and continuously. We make a careful study of what men are looking for, and what prices they are most willing to pay. Then the only question is how to give a little more value for the price than we—or anybody—ever did before.

And the money-back guarantee suits both you and us.

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All kinds of Odd China Salads and Fruit Dishes at a Discount. Lamps for Kitchen, Dining Room or Parlor from 20c. to \$12. Come this week for bargains.

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Opp. Merchants Bank.

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from the throne, referred to by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, and which was moved by Mr. Morley in behalf of the Opposition, is as follows:—"It is our duty, however, humbly to present to Your Majesty that our effective deliberation on financial services is impaired by conflicting declarations from Your Majesty's ministers. We respectfully submit the judgment of this House that the removal of protective duties has, for more than half a century, actively conducted to the vast extension of trade and commerce of the realm and the welfare of the population, and this House believes that while the needs for social improvement are still manifold and urgent, and return to protective duties, and more particularly when imposed upon the food of the people would be deeply injurious to the national strength, contentment and well being."

THE OUTLOOK.

The Government is not likely to be turned out on John Morley's amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne, which is

against any return to protective duties, but the general impression prevails that the Government will not be able to keep its forces together to see the session to an end. The Irish party, which now almost has the balance of power, held a conference during the day and decided to take no action until the Government has defined its intentions toward the Catholic university and the amendment to the Land Purchase Act, and for the present will probably abstain from voting on any division that would endanger the Government.

WHITAKER WRIGHT'S CASE.

Sir Robert Finlay, towards the close of the night session, said he intended to amend the law dealing with company cases such as those of Whitaker Wright. He declared that after full consideration of the evidence it seemed to him that Wright's mis-statements were really made with the view of benefiting rather than injuring the shareholders. The Government will pay for Wright's prosecution.



NEW METHOD SUITS

Two Weeks More of Bargains at The Two T's.

We have decided to continue our great clearing sale for another two weeks. 'Twill be a fast and furious one for the next twelve business days with a tremendous slashing, cutting, flaying prices on lingering merchandise. Catch on and ride to the biggest bargain feast you ever attended. **Read the List of Cut Prices Below.**

Men's Fine Furnishings at but a Fraction of Their Value : : : :

Men's 50c all silk neckwear, four-in-hands, puffs and flowing ends, pick them out at only	25c
Men's fine wool undershirts and drawers, 50c quality for	37c
Men's fine fleece undershirts and drawers, 50c quality for	37c
Men's fine wool undershirts and drawers, 75c quality for	55c
\$1.25 and \$1 quality for	75c
\$1.50 quality for	\$1.00
\$3.00 quality for	\$2.25

Men's Silk and Wool Lined Kid and Mocha Gloves at Clearance Sale Prices.	
50c Gloves	37c
75c Gloves	55c
\$1.00 and \$1.25 Gloves	75c
\$2.00 Gloves	\$1.00
\$2.50 Gloves	\$1.55
Mufflers at Cut Prices	
50c Silk Mufflers at	37c
75c Silk Mufflers at	50c
\$1.25 Silk Mufflers	75c
\$1.50 Silk Mufflers	1.00
\$2.00 Silk Mufflers	1.25

Men's Monarch and W. G. & R. Colored Shirts at Clearance Sale Prices	
\$1.50 Shirts for	\$1.00
\$1.25 Shirts for	\$1.00
Men's Fine Wool Sweaters at Clearance Sale Prices	
\$2.50 Sweaters for	\$1.50
\$3.00 Sweaters for	2.00
Men's Corduroy Vests \$2.00 quality	\$1.25
Men's heavy wool shirts \$2.00 quality	\$1.25
Men's " " " " " " " "	\$1.00 " 75c
Men's " " " " " " " "	50c " 37c

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Every suit and overcoat altered to fit the customers.	
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Sweeping Reductions in New Method Suits and Overcoats.—An offer impossible anywhere else but at THE TWO T'S., the fountain head of all clothing values. Choice of any fine suit or overcoat that sold readily all season at \$12.50, \$15.00, \$17.50 and \$18.50, now offered for the astonishing low price of **\$10.00.**

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