

walked four and a half miles each morning and night, that he might secure a High School education, are to-day undoubted factors in his success as a Teacher. While attending the High School he made a record which is seldom equalled, receiving his Third-Class Certificate after an attendance of only six months; so, at the age of seventeen, Mr. MacMurchy began his career as a Teacher and has followed his profession for eight years. Of this term four years have been spent as a High School Teacher, Mr. MacMurchy having, in the meantime, secured his Degree of B. A. from the Toronto University in 1899. Being a good disciplinarian, he commands the attention and respect of his Pupils; and that his teaching abilities are of a high order has been demonstrated in the results of every Examination. Having been always a lover of, and an adept in, all athletic exercises, he has introduced into the School a healthy love of outdoor sports, which is doing much for the development of manliness in our Boys and for the establishment of that spirit of fair play which is so essential to them, both in their present and in their future lives.

In 1904, Chesley was made a High School district. It is now a combined Public and High School district, with seven Teachers in the Public, and four in the High, School. Our High School has been placed in the Approved Class by the Inspectors.

CHESLEY, January, 1910.

WILLIAM McDONALD, *Secretary*.

THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOLS IN LINDSAY.

When the Public School was first opened here I am not able to state. I know that in 1861 the Common School and Grammar School were carried on in the same building, a wooden structure on the Site of the present School Grounds, each School having one Master. I will endeavour to collect earlier data, but I am at a loss where to get it.

The Central School building referred to in the accompanying sketch, since the erection of the present Collegiate Institute, has been used as a Public School only, and will be replaced this year by a new and modern Public School, containing ten or twelve rooms.

In the North Ward of the Town there are two buildings used as Ward Schools, containing five rooms. These will be replaced this year by a new modern building, containing either four or six rooms, according as the central building shall be ten or twelve, the two buildings to contain sixteen rooms.

There is a Public School in the South Ward, containing four rooms. This will be repaired this year and supplied with steam heating, modern ventilation and conveniences, and a room for the Teachers.

There is a Public School in the East Ward, containing four rooms.

LINDSAY, April 9th, 1910.

THOMAS STUART, *Chairman*.

In 1854, a Grammar School was opened in Lindsay, which was then a thriving Village of about five hundred inhabitants. It was, naturally, a small School; but the Headmaster, Mr. Hudspeth, was a man of more than ordinary ability and character. In 1867, he was followed by Mr. Henry Reazin, at present Public School Inspector for West Victoria. During the latter's regime the School increased considerably, and some of the Pupils of that time distinguished themselves later in life. From 1870 to 1873 Mr. A. M. Lafferty, M.A., was appointed