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Lincoln County Has 83 Teachers

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In S. S. No. 6 North Grimsby a new brick building was erected and was ready for occupation at the New Year. This school is an up to date building with cloak rooms, teachers room, basement, hot air furnace, and lavatories complete.

In S. S. No. 3 Louth a new two room, brick building was erected which is very complete. This is probably as fine a two roomed school as there is in the Province.

In several other sections, increased accommodation is urgently needed, but the high prices now prevailing, and the unsettled labor situation, and the difficulty of procuring materials make it a very debatable question as to the advisability of undertaking building operations at the present time. However, it is admitted by all, that accommodations must be provided for the increasing school population. There can be no question also that many of our present school buildings and accommodations should be improved. I must say that School Boards are becoming more interested, as a rule, in improved school accommodations, and in a large number of our schools considerable improvements were made during the year.

Consolidation of Schools

One reason why some Boards have

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not done more towards improving their schools, is that there is quite a strong feeling in favor of consolidation.

There are many advantages in consolidation, especially where the schools are small. A large central school, would have several teachers, and the classes would be graded properly. All the subjects could be better taught, and provision could be made for Domestic Science, Manual Training, and Agriculture. The pupils education could be made more complete in every way. Especially would this be the case if a Community Hall were added to the School. These would then be a community centre in each district with great advantage to pupils, teachers, and the whole community. There are several districts in this county where consolidation would be a great improvement and I hope to arrange with the Department to hold meetings wherever and whenever the public are enough interested to consider the matter.

The Education Department will send speakers to place this matter before the people at any time, and will make surveys and do all the preliminary work free. A fixed grant of \$2,000 is made to any school in operation by December 1921, and the Department will pay from 20 to 30 per cent. of the cost of the site and building up to \$6,000, and from 20 to 30 per cent. of the cost of transportation. There are also very liberal grants on teachers salaries, and equipment, in addition to the usual grants paid to rural schools.

Teachers' Work.

As a general rule the teachers are doing good work. Many of our teachers are beginners and it speaks well for the training given in our Normal Schools to find that most of the teachers make a success of their work in the first year. The conditions at the present time result in frequent changes in teachers. In this County there were 3 changes in teachers at Midsummer and 1-change at New Years. The frequent change of the teachers in a school tends more than any other cause, to destroy the efficiency of the school. Most School Boards are beginning to realize that higher salaries must be paid to the teachers, and from present indications the supply of teachers can be maintained only by paying higher salaries. In consideration of the special grant on teachers salaries made at last session of the Legislature, the Department expects that second class teachers will receive at least \$750 per year. It is to be hoped that every Board will pay sufficient salary to secure the services of efficient teachers.

Teachers' Convention

A most successful and helpful Teachers' Convention was held on October 9 and 10, in St. Catharines. The attendance was good, nearly every teacher being present.

School Attendance.

The new School Attendance Act came into force in 1920. The aim is to improve the attendance in our schools especially in the rural schools. The average attendance at the majority of the schools is fairly satisfactory, but there are some sections where an improvement should be made. The average daily attendance for the whole county is 2951.1 and the total number of pupils enrolled during the year is 4949. The average attendance is about 60 per cent. of the total enrollment. This is scarcely a fair estimate as the total enrollment includes pupils who were enrolled for part of the year only. In visiting the schools, I found the urban schools had an average attendance of about 90 per cent. of the total enrollment. On the other hand some of the rural sections had an average attendance of 57 per cent. of the enrollment at the time. This means that 43 per cent. of the pupils were absent all the time, or that all the pupils were absent 43 per cent. of the time. This conditions can be remedied only by (1) an efficient teacher, (2) More interest in education by parents and (3) an efficient attendance officer. A Provincial Attendance Officer has been appointed to superintend the work of the local attendance officers, and to take measures to improve the attendance of pupils. Comparing the attendance this year with that of last year, I find that the daily attendance is 6

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per cent. of the total enrollment higher in the rural schools than last year, and 15 per cent. higher in the urban schools. This is a fairly satisfactory increase and is due to more efficient work of the Truant Officers, and to the effective work of the County Truant Officer.

Mental Defectives and Backward Children.

In my visits to the schools during the past year I have found a number of children attending school who are mentally defective, or very backward in their classes. These children are not only a great problem for teachers, but they are not capable of profiting by the ordinary school education. There should be a special school for such cases, where they could be taught by specialists in that kind of work, and where the course of studies would develop whatever latent powers they may have. This is one phase of our educational system that will require attention in the future, if we are to raise the standard of our citizens to the highest level. The problem is receiving the attention of the Education Department and it is hoped that some solution will be found.

Agriculture in the Schools.

The number of schools teaching agriculture is now 22. Last year it was 16. This work can be made very beneficial to a school and to a section, but results are not satisfactory in some schools for two reasons: First the teacher has not a sufficient knowledge of the subject, or is not practical enough to make it a success. Second there is opposition to the work on the part of parents or trustees who perhaps have not given the matter sufficient thought. Our education in the past has been too much confined to books, and has not given enough scope to the activities and interests of the pupils. The whole tendency of the recent time is toward the practical, and for that reason as well as for many other reasons agriculture should be taught in every rural school.

School Fairs.

There were 5 School Fairs held in this County in 1919 as follows:
Niagara Township at Queenston.
Graham Township at No. 2 School.

Louth Township at No. 3 School.
Vineland Township at Vineland.
Gainsboro Township at Bismarck.

These fairs were all very successful, and have been the means of arousing interest in schools, besides being a great benefit to the pupils. It is proposed to establish two more fairs in 1920; one in Caistor and one in Clinton. It is also proposed to move the Vineland Fair to the Thirty School, or to Grimsby Park, and include in it the schools below the mountain and along the edge of the mountain.

Change in Inspectorate and Number of Teachers.

In January, 1919, the Inspectorates in this Peninsula were readjusted and this Inspectorate now includes Lincoln County only. This change has been very satisfactory as it makes it necessary for the Inspector to make reports for one County only. The number of teachers in the Inspectorate before the change, was 135. After the change there were 107 teachers, but during the year 8 teachers have been added in the various schools, and there are now 115. There are likely to be several more teachers added this year.



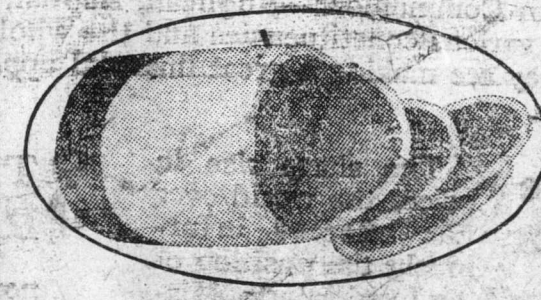
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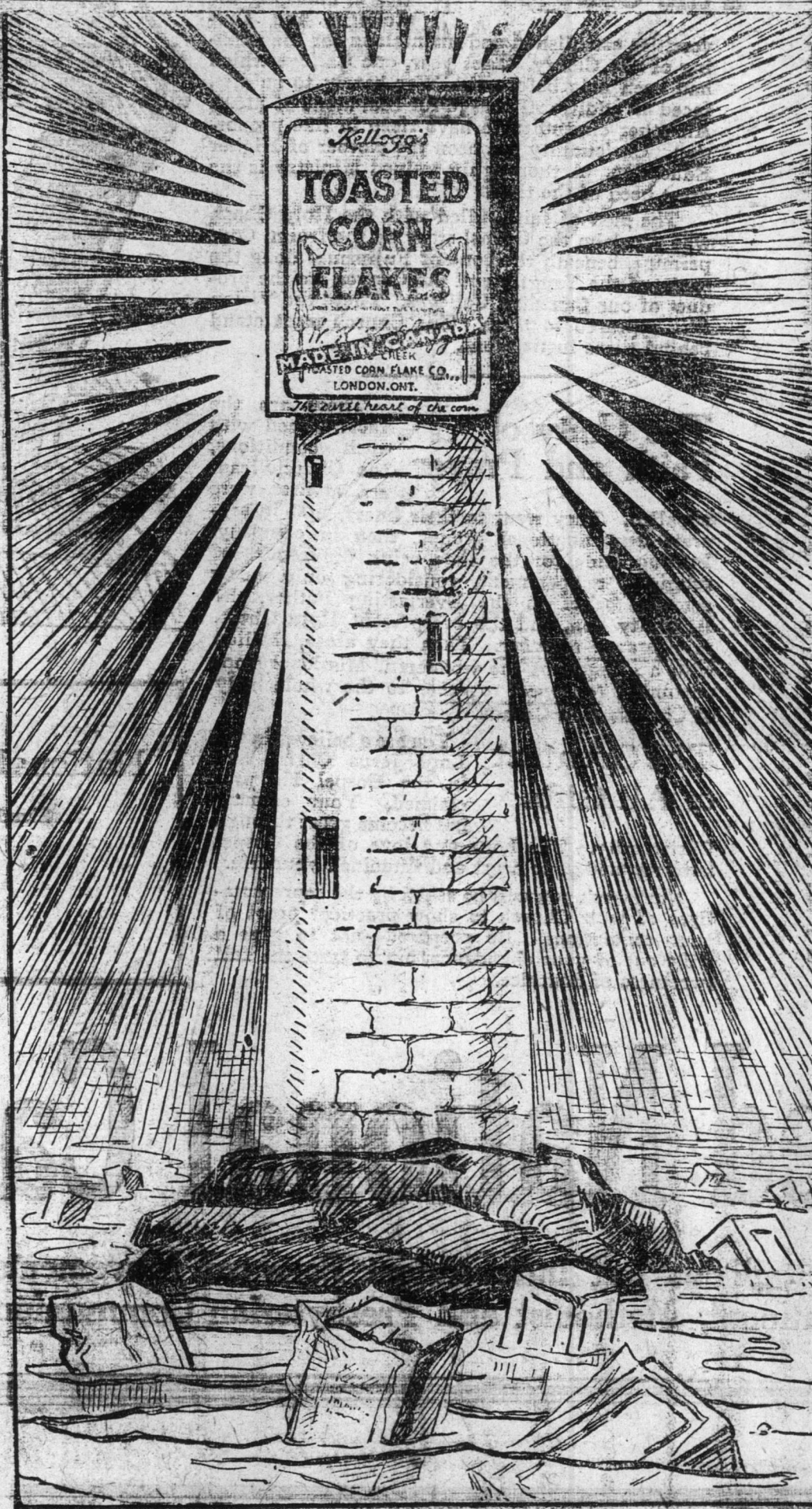
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Promotion Examinations

In June the Promotion Examinations were held for the first time, and the results have been highly satisfactory. While it is not intended that teachers will be guided entirely

by the results of these examinations in making promotions, it is easier for teachers to keep their classes at the proper standard, and also gives the pupils an incentive (Continued on page seven)



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