A Home for the Destitute in Leeds and Grenville.

(Brockville Times.)

The Leeds and Grenville House of Industry at Athens, which was on the 29th November last formally opened, is a monument attesting the advancement of humanitarian ideas. In its handsome, substantial architecture it speaks for the material prosperity of the united counties, but its chief significance is in its purpose—the provision of a shelter for those infirm and aged persons, who by the unkindly force of circumstances are cast upon the charity of the community.

When the project first took practical shape, the ninety-acre farm of Dr. Giles, near Athens, suggested itself as a most suitable site. The farm was purchased at

ment, two stories and an attic, the foundation being of white sandstone and the upper portion of brick. There are thirteen rooms in the basement, twelve on the first floor, and sixteen on the second floor, with bath rooms, closets, etc., in addition. The kitchen is 30 feet square.

In addition to the main building there are the outbuildings, a barn, a pig house and a hen house. The institution is provided also with an excellent well and with a cess pool. The total cost was about \$21,000, exclusive of the furniture. The cost of the main building being about \$12,600; the plumbing and heating contract \$2,885; the outbuildings, etc., about \$2,200.

Accommodation can be provided for one hundred inmates. At present there are sixty-three beds in the institution.

House of Industry Statistics.

COUNTY OF WATERLOO - 28TH ANNUAL REPORT-

I. D. Bowman, inspector Berlin - for year ending 1st December 1895;

Number of inmates in house	103
Number admitted during the year	55
Number of weeks' board of inmates, etc.	5,716
Net amount expended for support of	
inmates and institution\$7	227.17
Av'ge expense per week for each person	1.26
year " "	65.69

COUNTY OF WELLAND 7TH ANNUAL REPORT.

Number of inmates in house 1st December, 1895	45
Number of inmates admitted during	
the year	22
Number of weeks' board of inmates, etc.	2,689
Net amount expended for support of	
inmates and nstitution\$3	,606.31
Average expense per week	1.34
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a cost, it is understood, of \$3,600. The building arrangements were given in charge to a committee of the Counties' Council made up of Mr. R. L. Joynt, Reeve of Augusta; Mr. R. J. Jelly, Reeve of Elizabethtown; and Mr. J. B Saunders, Reeve of the Rear of Yonge and Escott. These three gentlemen have discharged the duties of the public trust confided to them honorably and well, and the House of Industry, as it stands to-day, is in itself the best tribute to their faithful service.

The work of construction throughout has been thoroughly done, and speaks for itself in the edifice, as it now stands, complete

The building as can be seen from the engraving printed above, is a solid and handsome edifice. Its dimensions are 120 feet by 45 feet. It consists of a base-

The architect, Mr. George A. Allan, of Brockville has ample ground for satisfaction in the finished structure which has grown from his plans.

The opening proceedings were in charge of a committee of the citizens of Athens, who took advantage of the occasion to tender a reception to the County's council, between five and six hundred people were present—refreshments were provided, and His Honor Judge McDonald had charge of the program. Dr. Chamberlain, inspector of prisons, congratulated the council upon their enterprise and wisdom in erecting the pioneer charitable institution between Toronto and Montreal. A small admission fee was charged and as a result a handsome sum was raised to assist in procuring a library for the Institution.

COUNTY OF WELLINGTON—18TH ANNUAL REPORT.

J. Beattie, inspector, for year ending 1st Dec.,
1885;

COUNTY OF ELGIN—20TH ANNUAL REPORT.

K. W. McKay, inspector, for year ending 1st November, 1895:

This amount is made up as follows:

Salaries	Jacob .	 	 .0487	cents
Meat, 5.5-70z		 	 ,0203	66
Bread, 13.1-7 oz.		 	 .0154	3 11
Groceries				**
Provisions		 	 .0120	
Heating		 	 .0271	**
All other expense		 	 .0442	, "
AT THE REAL PROPERTY.				