

HAMILTON HAPPENINGS

SALARY INCREASES FOR TEACHERS TURNED DOWN

Hamilton Board of Education Decides it Cannot Afford the Extra Expenditure.

HAMILTON, June 9.—(Special.)—There was another discussion at the meeting of the board of education tonight on the question of salary increases. The special salary committee recommended that no action be taken this year in regard to requests for increases for the principal of the Caroline street school, the manual training instructors at the Caroline and Wentworth schools, and the female teachers' association; also to increase the salaries of the following caretakers: Thomas Gossell, Queen Victoria; H. Voelker, King Edward; William Trotman, Murray street; A. Bowman, Neave street; S. Allingham, Caroline; and William McVea, West-avenue, each \$25. G. Plesco, Central, \$50.

Trustee Booker said it was a shame to treat the teachers at the college in that fashion. He wanted that portion of the report recommending that no action be taken on the request of the teachers for an increase be referred back. Trustee Allan said the committee could not afford it, as the board was \$8000 in arrears now, and the increase would mean an additional expenditure of \$10,000. What was needed, he thought, was more male teachers, instead of the little bits of girls who were incapable of looking after the children.

The report of the technical committee, recommending that no increase of salary be granted, was adopted. It was left to the chairman of the board to pass upon the request of Miss Jeanette Lewis to sell brick paper weight to the schoolchildren in aid of the Sick Children's Hospital fund.

Grants From County Council.—The county council on June 9, approved a grant of \$400 to the Home of Providence; the Women's Wentworth Historical Society, \$200, and the Stony Creek Historical Society, \$25. The county constables had their court duty pay increased \$1.

The board of control this afternoon appointed Charles Shain meat and dairy inspector on three months probation, at a salary of \$1000. The application of the West End Pleasure Club for permission to hold a boxing bout brought up the question that controllers took such a firm stand on over a week ago. On the suggestion of Mayor McLaren the matter was left to Chief Smith and Chairman Clark of the police committee to enquire into, and if they find that it is to be a bona-fide boxing bout and not a prize fight they might grant the request.

The hydro-electric commission wrote objecting to the city's request that they build the matter, was left to the pumping station along the mountain, owing to the extra cost and delay it would incur. Engineer McCallum was instructed to write for detailed information as to the commission's plan for building the line thru the city. A grant of \$150 was made to the Trades and Labor Council. A request from the Army Service Corps for a grant was refused.

O. Y. B. Convention.—The convention of the Orange Young Britons was held at the following officers were elected: Gordon Black, Toronto, D.D.G.M.; W. G. Lowrey, Russell, Jun. D.G.M.; W. Joynt, Arrupior, grand chaplain; John J. Young, Hamilton, D.G.C.; Shelton Hornshaw, Toronto, grand secretary; S. A. Moffatt, Toronto, D.G.S.; T. A. Carpendale, Russell, grand treasurer; A. J. McDonald, Hamilton, D.G.T.; M. J. Langville, Huntsville, grand director of ceremonies; James Dickson, Dundas, grand lecturer; B. Harcourt, Toronto, J. Beers, North Bay, D.G. lecturers; Alexander Hall, Toronto, and T. Patterson, Hamilton, grand auditors. W. Bro. George Virgin, Toronto, hon. chaplain to grand lodge. The next convention will be held in St. Thomas.

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Every Fifth Child Dies.—Infant mortality is 23 per cent. of the death rate of Ontario, according to Dr. Helen MacMurchy, whose report on the subject has been issued by Hon. W. J. Hanna. Tuberculosis is responsible for only 8 per cent. of the total death rate, she points out.

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WANT DENTAL INSPECTOR FOR THE CITY SCHOOLS

Deputation of Dentists Wait on the Management Committee—Two Medical Inspectors New.

A deputation representing the Ontario Dental Association waited on the management committee of the board of education yesterday urging that more instruction be given to the children in the public schools along the line of prevention of decaying teeth. Dr. Wallace Secomb urged that something should be done to impress upon children the necessity of better mastication of the food.

Inspector Hughes said that hygiene was taught to the children in the public schools and that the study of that subject embraced all the points which Dr. Secomb was endeavoring to so emphatically express.

Dr. A. E. Webster urged the appointment of a dentist to instruct the teachers, and a communication was read from Nurse Rogers suggesting that as a great number of the children were unable to procure tooth brushes, the board, as an experiment, should purchase six gross and give them to the children at cost, five cents. The three matter was referred to the Canadian Oral Prophylactic Association, which are doing considerable philanthropic work along this line.

Dr. Bryans moved that Dr. Embree prepare a report on the co-relation of the high school work, and insert any suggestions which would improve the present situation.

Trustee C. A. B. Brown complained that the board were making the new Brown School, on Avenue-road, a harbor for delinquents, as most of the new staff were teachers of over 25 years' experience. Chairman Simpson, however, moved that the recommendations of the inspectors be favored by the committee, which was carried.

It was decided to recommend the appointment of two medical inspectors, Dr. Helen MacMurchy and Dr. Willmott Graham.

The following appointments to the different collegiate institutes were made: Jarvis-street Collegiate, one teacher in English and history, one teacher of mathematics and physical training for boys; Harbord, one teacher of science, one teacher of English and history; Riverdale, one teacher of manual training and lower school work, one teacher of domestic science, and one teacher of technical education.

Principal H. J. Crawford referred to the demand for ratepayers for the introduction of technical education. Chairman Simpson considered that the board should declare itself upon a policy of such secondary education in the city, and one in the centre of the western district.

J. D. A. TRIPP GOES WEST

Will Spend Next Six Weeks Conducting Examinations.

It will be news to those who are interested in the development of tonal art in the Dominion, to learn that the greatest of Canadian piano virtuosos leaves on next Tuesday for the west. Professor J. D. A. Tripp will be gone for six weeks examining for the Toronto Conservatory of Music. Incidentally, he will give several concert recitals.

ROCHESTER Halls for Working Girls.
The Rochester Y. N. Y. June 8—Public dance for working girls, to be conducted under proper supervision, were advocated at the night session of the Playgrounds Association of America by Mrs. Charles Henry Israel of New York City, chairman of the committee on amusements and vacation resources of working girls.

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What the Commissariat is Doing at Niagara—Long Stretch at Rifle Butts Lays Out Several Men.

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, June 9.—(Special.)—"What use is a man in time of war if he cannot shoot?" said Lt.-Col. Greville Harston. "If a man adds it is easier now to earn efficiency pay, he is no good to Canada. It is easier now to earn efficiency pay than it was several years ago."

Col. Harston spoke highly of Maj. Macdonell, D.S.O., who is lecturing to some of the more advanced officers on tactics. Maj. Macdonell served thru the Boer War. Since then he has taken course at the staff college for officers in England. The course is a very stiff one.

The first lectures given were on orders. Maj. Macdonell emphasized the great importance of issuing orders easily comprehended and to the point. Napoleon lost the battle of Quatre Bras thru issuing wrong orders.

Accurate figures on the strength of the camp were given out by Lt.-Col. Galloway to-day. There are 5221 men here. The horses in camp total 1909. There are 507 officers, 172 warrant officers and sergeants, 218 bandmen, 106 buglers and drummers, and 2920 rank and file. There are 77 service wagons.

The water is no better this year than it has been in previous years. Orders were issued to-day warning the men against it.

Men Are Well Fed.—"People used to think that anything was good enough for convicts and soldiers, but the times have changed. The food served out in camp now is better than \$2 per day in the men get the year round." The above statement was made by Lt.-Col. J. G. Langton, S.A.S.C.O., W.O., in command of the three army service corps here.

"The bread made here is unadulterated. It is made of pure Manitoba wheat and no adulterants are used," said Col. Langton. "The bread is not as white as bakers' bread, but the whiteness is usually caused by alum being used."

It costs about 23 cents per day to feed a man here. The approximate cost per day is \$1200 for all the men here and for the 11 days' training it will cost about \$23,000. The rations for each man per day are: 1 1/2 lbs. bread, 1 lb. fresh meat, 2 ounces bacon, 1 1/2 ounces coffee, 1 ounce cheese, 6 ounces fresh vegetables, 1-3/8 ounce pepper, 3/4 ounce salt, 2 ounces sugar, 1/4 lb. tea, 1 pound potatoes, 1/2 ounce split peas, 2 ounces jam, 2 ounces raisins, 2 ounces butter, 1/2 pound hay, and 15 pounds oats; cavalry horses, 14 pounds hay and 12 pounds bran.

"Probably the drunkenness that was prevalent several years ago was due to the poor food," said Maj. Cowan of the Army Service Corps. "The men were hungry all the time and tried to appease their appetites by drinking."

The amount of provisions contracted for to supply the camp during the training is: 7563 pounds bacon, 6000 pounds potatoes, 7563 pounds beans, 7563 pounds jam, 7563 pounds split peas, 3782 pounds cheese, 150 pounds split peas, 1261 pounds coffee, 945 pounds tea, 105 pounds pepper, 11,345 pounds onions and 11,345 pounds cabbages. Several years ago there were no fresh vegetables served during camp.

The shooting done at the ranges is reported to be very satisfactory. The majority of the men earned their efficiency pay. Complaints are general from the camp being sent there about the length of time taken at the ranges. Squads go down early in the morning, shortly after breakfast, and do not get back until between 3 and 4 p.m. They are forced to go or 8 hours without food and as everybody has a good appetite here, it is a real hardship. They are given practically a whole military course in one day. Instructions in aiming, care of the rifle and distance judging as well as sub-target and gun practice and ball carting practice are given there. Several fainted on the butts this afternoon owing to the heat and their empty stomachs.

T. W. R. McRae has been appointed G. T. R. claims agent, to succeed Sibthorp Wells, deceased.

HAVE EXAMINING BOARD FOR WOULD-BE MINISTERS

Prof. Bowles of Victoria Asks Toronto Methodist Conference to Appoint Seven Clergymen.

That a commission of seven clergymen be appointed to examine and determine the qualifications of would-be probationers in the Methodist Church, was the opinion of Rev. Prof. R. P. Bowles of Victoria University, in an address he gave at the Toronto Methodist conference yesterday afternoon in Elm-street Church.

"Not without sincere regrets would any one of us raise objections to earning young men being received on probation," said he, "but if a high standard is to be maintained in the ministry, a more rigid test of efficiency would be instituted. A commission of the nature suggested by Prof. Bowles was, he explained, already appointed by the Methodist Church in England, and this commission was entrusted entirely to the work of examining, both as to their educational and natural abilities, young men aspiring to the ministry. Thus the general conference would be relieved of any responsibility. Prof. Bowles stated that the number of university students preparing for the Methodist ministry was, year by year, increasing so rapidly that no fears need be entertained of any dearth of men in either the home or foreign field.

Dr. Hincks is President. At the opening of the session Rev. Dr. W. H. Hincks, LL.B., of Broadway Tabernacle, was elected president on the first ballot. He received 173 votes, a clear majority. The two nearest competitors for election, Mr. J. J. Simpson, first assistant, Rev. R. J. D. Simpson, second assistant, Rev. J. E. Williams, journal secretary, Rev. John J. Ferguson, statistical secretary, Rev. G. Sherlock Faircloth.

The new president stated that every-thing new where he stood regarding biblical interpretation, he agreed with Dr. Orr and Dr. Thomas on the whole. Eight years ago my viewpoint was established when I visited the German fatherland and the Irish when I married my beloved wife.

He would do all in his power to develop a clear-cut and blood-warm evangelism. "Lack of love," said he, "is the greatest heresy, and I hope you will never find me guilty of that."

As to educational affairs, the annual statement of the general secretary of education, Rev. Dr. Graham, showed unprecedented prosperity. "Receipts from all sources amount to \$59,891, as compared with \$44,352, four years ago. At the previous quadrennium there were 10,714 students in the Methodist colleges of the Dominion. Now there are upwards of 15,000. The funds supplied for students in mission fields during the summer this year amount to \$74,277, as compared with \$37,980 in 1906. About 450 young men are thus assisted during the summer."

"Give theological students spiritual clinics, as the medical students receive hospital clinics," were Dr. Graham's words of encouragement for the work of helping the students. "There are now 11 institutions and 4000 young people under the supervision of the Methodist Church in Canada," said he.

Fewer and Stronger Missions. To reduce the number of missions and bring those remaining up to the self-supporting standard as soon as possible was the plan of Rev. James Allen, home mission secretary. "During the quadrennium 19 missions in the list," said he, "during the present year 13 missions have become self-supporting. Four years ago \$12,783 was appropriated for missions; this year only \$10,500 was required."

The demand for lay speakers at missionary banquets was becoming greater than ever. "There should be a laymen's missionary committee in connection with every church in Toronto," said he.

Rev. Mr. Allen also endorsed the weekly envelope system as a valuable aid to missionary endeavor. Last year, as an example, Elm-street Church contributed \$1500 in this way, for missions.

The Down Town Church. Rev. Dr. Baker of Eglinton-ave. Church deprecated the tendency of churches to move from downtown districts to more residential sections of the city. "Let the brethren of our colleges and the leaders of our church organizations marshal their forces and link the downtown churches with those below Queen-street," was Dr. Baker's final exhortation.

The sum of \$600 will be contributed by the Toronto conference towards the formation of a Burwash jubilee memorial fund for the establishment of Burwash lectureships.

Regarding the superannuation fund, Rev. Dr. Griffin, the treasurer, stated that four years ago there was a deficit of \$26,000; now there is a surplus of \$100,000. To dispose of three-fourths of this amount Dr. Griffin favored the restoration of the 10 per cent. to the holders of annuities, which was cut off in 1904. He also advocates the establishment of an emergency fund of not over \$2000; that the minimum claim of widows be increased from \$50 to \$125; and that the claims of ministers' widows be made permanent.

As a comparison, Dr. Griffin stated that three-quarters of one per cent. was the cost of running the superannuation fund, while the cost of running the mission rooms was over six per cent.

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SOCIETY NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. James Burns announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Emily Grace, to Robt. P. Parker of Hamilton, the wedding to take place the latter part of June.

At a meeting of ladies and gentlemen at the residence of Dr. Stowe Gillen it was decided to have a garden party.

Broken Legs. Having climbed to the top of a lamp post, the better to get a view of the band giving a concert at Exhibition Park last night, Roy Yake, 10 Parr-st., pulled the post down with him. It fell on his leg.

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