JARVIS-STREET COLLEGIATE.

A LIVELY SESSION OF THE BOARD LAST EVENING.

After Much Discussion It Is Decided to Engage a Temporary Teacher for the Institute Until the End of the Present School Term—Pupils' Fees From the Various Institutes.

The matter of the Jarvis-street Collegiate Institute received a very thorough threshing out at last night's meeting of the Collegiate Institute Board. Principal MacMurchy was present and listened to the discussion, which lasted the greater part of a long session.

It began when the School Management Committee recommended that a temporary teacher be appointed for Jarvis-street institute at a salary not to exceed $4 per day of actual teaching from this date until the end of the present school term.

In amendment Mr. Houston moved that a temporary teacher be employed at the above salary, provided that, as a result of the pending enquiry into the state of the school, such an addition to the staff appears to be necessary for the mainetnance of its efficiency.

In reply to Mrs. O'Connor's suggestion that Principal MacMurchy be heard Mr. E. T. Malone said that it would be establishing a bad precedent, as the principal attended meetings of the School Management Committee and had the privilege of speaking there. He advised leaving the whole matter over to the next meeting of the board, when a special committee appointed to inquire into the officiency of the Jarvis-street school could bring in a report.

A Mistaken Move.

W. S. Lee thought that the action of the committee in removing Miss Thomas was a mistake, but he was in favor of passing the recommendation of the committee, although it was a contradiction of their previous action.

Dr. McFaul, chairman of the committee, stated that Principal MacMurchy complained that pupils were unable to take the options on account of a paucity of teachers. In the second form of Jarvis-street school under the new classification, there was necessity for another teacher. There were 13 teaching periods unprovided for.

E. T. Malone was in a position to say that the teachers had conferred and had come to a conclusion opposed to Principal MacMurchy's, that it was possible to attend to the classes with the present staff.

The clause was carried in committee of the whole.

On Mr. Houston's bringing forward his amendment when the board had risen, a lively squabble arose over its reading.

The amendment was finally read, and Mr. Malone again argued for a thorough investigation of the matter before taking any action.

The Discussion Continued.

W. H. Parr impugned the efficiency of Jarvis-street school. "If you want to have fun go to Jarvis-street," was the expression, he said, among the children.

W. S. Lee said it was unfair to dismember the school and then bring in a report after it had been mutilated.

Mr. Frank Denton said that a teacher in Miss Thomas' position was an absolute necessity. It was unfair to bring in a report of a disorganized school.

Mr. Houston said that there were as many pupils per teacher at Jarvis-street as at Harbord. There were structural defects in the building, but if the re-organization placing the sexes in the same classes were carried out the school might do better work. The discussions and recriminations at the board were injuring the school more than Miss Thomas' removal.

Chairman O'Connor then put the vote, which resulted in the carrying of the original motion.

A Close Vote.

The matter was again opened up by Mr. Houston's new amendment:

"That it is inexpedient to add to the expenditure on account of teaching in the Jarvis-street School until evidence of the necessity for such additional expenditure has been laid before the Board."

The same ground was gone over and the expenditure of the Collegiate Institute system of Toronto was said by Mr. Hastings to be the highest on the continent. Seventy dollars per pupil was the figure.

Mr. Houston had another struggle with the chairman to have his amendment read and various members undertook to give her points on parliamentary procedure. Yeas and nays being taken, Mr. Houston again suffered defeat. The division was:

Yeas—Mrs. McMath, Miss Wilkes, T. A. Hastings, W. H. Parr, Dr. McKeown, W. Houston, E. T. Malone—7.

Nays—Mrs. Harrison, Miss Carty, J. Greer, J. Laxton, F. Denton, P. Macdonald, Hunter, W. S. Lee—8.

Mr. T. Hastings' motion:

"That the High School inspector be requested to forward to this board as soon as convenient his report for the present term re the Jarvis-street School, said report to have special reference to the efficiency of the teaching done in this school and point out the weak places if any. exist in the management or the mode of teaching."

re-opened the matter for a third time. Several of the members thought that it was discrediting the efficiency of the School Management Committee. It was giving too much weight to a matter which had already been exaggerated in the public press. Mr. Hastings' motion was lost.

Pupils' Fees.

The report of the Finance Committe, recommending the payment of supply accounts aggregating $350.62, was read and adopted. The following pupils' fees have been received for the current term:

From Harbord-street	$1844
From Jameson-avenue	900
From Jarvis-street	880
	$3624
From Public School Board for Scholarship pupils	$ 48

Commercial Classes.

These motions were referred to the School Management Committee:

T. A. Hastings: That the principal of Harbord-street Institute be requested to report the name and address of all the pupils in the above-mentioned school living east of Queen's Park and Avenue-road; that the committee on School Management report at an early day as to the advisability of establishing a commercial class in each of the schools; also as to the advisability of establishing industrial or manual training classes in connection with High School work.

Mr. Houston: That at the next meeting of the board he will move that the School Management Committee be instructed to prepare a curriculum of commercial work for the Collegiate Institutes under the control of the board, the new curriculum to come into force at the opening of the schools after the summer holidays.

Mrs. McMath's motion, that the following items be struck out of the estimates for 1893: Sodding of grounds at Jarvis-street, $250; Fencing at Harbord-street, $800; additions to gymnasium, $1800; total, $2850, was referred to the Property Committee.

The Third Man in the Tolls.

Felix McGovern, Elizabeth and Louisa-streets, charged with participation in the highway robbery Jan. 28, committed on Thomas O'Brien, was arrested last night. This was the crime for which Wallace and Bowo were sentenced on Wednesday last.

OUR PARLIAMENT-STREET.

Its Name and History—Address to the York Pioneers.

Rev. Dr. Scadding presided yesterday afternoon at the monthly meeting of the York Pioneers.

The secretary was instructed to send notice for the March meeting, when the annual election of officers would take place.

Arrangements were also made to have a group of photographs taken of all the members who had joined the society in recent years.

A letter of condolence was ordered to be sent to the family of the late Mr. William Lea, a member of the society, who had died since the last meeting.

During the proceedings Mr. D. Read read a paper by the president, Rev. Dr. Scadding, entitled "Parliament-street, Toronto; its Name and History." This thoroughfare took its name from the fact that it led down to the site of the original Parliament buildings of Upper Canada. At the present day, when this street is fully opened out and made to pass in a direct line across the Kingston-road or King-street to the water's edge, the visitor to this part of the city who has the curiosity to pass down through its whole length to its terminus on the bay, finds himself by the side of the massive and somewhat gloomy pile of buildings known as the Toronto Gas Works. These works, covering more or less the whole block bounded on the north by Front-street, on the east by Parliament-street, on the south by the bay and on the west by Berkeley-street, occupy the site of the original Parliament buildings of Upper Canada. "An extraordinary situation for Parliament buildings," the modern tourist will exclaim; but when the ground was covered with finely grown timber the spot had a nobler aspect.

Early plans of this part of the city were at the same time exhibited, including a plan of the Castle Frank property, by Augustus Jones, made in 1793, and an early drawing of Castle Frank itself.

PLAYING WITH HIS LIFE.

Says He'll Shoot Niagara's Rapids in an Open Skiff.

[Philadelphia Record.]

Feeling confident that he can pass safely through the boiling rapids of Niagara, William Greenwood, a well-known resident of Germantown, Pa., and a man with sporting proclivities, will attempt the hazardous trip in a skiff some time next summer. He is now making active preparations for the perilous venture. He proposes using a flat-bottomed skiff, 12 feet long by 3 feet 9½ inches wide. He will discard oars altogether, and will use a four-foot paddle made of dogwood. The feat, he thinks, can be accomplished, and, despite the entreaties of his wife and friends, he proposes carrying out his intentions, no matter what the result.

The possibility of passing through the rapids was suddenly conceived by Greenwood while on a visit to the falls a few days ago with a party of ladies and gentlemen from Germantown. It was the first time he had seen Niagara, and he viewed the grand spectacle in silent admiration. Drawing aside from his friends one day Greenwood became lost in meditation. When he rejoined the party he expressed his determination to some day pass through the dangerous rapids, as it did not seem such a difficult task to him. His friends twitted him over the matter, but they soon learned that he was in deep earnest, as he paid no attention to what they said in regard to the foolhardiness of the undertaking.

"There have been plenty of men with brave hearts," said Greenwood, "to risk their lives in this daring feat, but what is wanted more than anything else is a clear head, which I think I possess. By remaining in the bow of my skiff I can safely shoot over the dangerous waters. At any rate I propose seeing if my theory is correct."

A PURE FABRICATION.

Goldwin Smith Denies That He is Going To See Cleveland.

The following letter from Prof. Goldwin Smith appears in The Washington Post of the 4th inst.:

Editor Post: One of your New York contemporaries has reproduced an article from a Toronto Tory journal stating that I expressed to somebody at New York my intention of calling on Mr. Cleveland and urging him to take immediate measures for the annexation of Canada. It is almost needless, I hope, to say that the statement is a pure fabrication. I have neither expressed nor entertained the slightest intention of approaching the President-elect or anyone connected with the Government of the United States on any question whatever. GOLDWIN SMITH.

Wormley's Hotel, Feb. 3.

WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY RESIDENCE.

A Site Already Selected—What It is Proposed to Do.

The women students past and present of the University of Toronto and University College have long felt the need of a University residence with suitable recreation grounds. As the number in attendance is year by year increasing the necessity for action has become so great that the authorities have promised a site for the building. An effort is being made to bring the matter to the careful consideration of all interested in the welfare of the women in attendance at the Provincial University. Several preliminary meetings have already been held. These are to be followed by a meeting in University College on Friday, Feb. 10, at 4 p.m., to which all ladies interested in the movement are cordially invited.

Presented With a Study Chair.

The teachers of the afternoon Sunday school of All Saints' Church presented Mr. F. D. D. Llwyd with a handsome study chair on the occasion of his resignation of the superintendency of the school. Mr. Llwyd has for some time officiated as superintendent of both morning and afternoon Sunday schools, and still retains the position of superintendent of the morning school.

City Hall Gossip.

Ald. Lamb dined the members of the Board of Works at Webb's last night.

There are lots of applicants for work at the Street Commissioner's office.

The City Engineer visited the Island yesterday and reports the works proceeding in a satisfactory manner.

A Few More Names.

Editor World: How would one of these four names do for the new steamship: Czarenna, Cassiopeia, Columbia, Columba.

SUGGESTION.

Three to Choose From.

Editor World: I would suggest the following names for the sister (now building) of Chicora and Cibola: 1, Cachuca; 2, Cicala, and if the loss of the initial C (preserving its sound) is no harm to selection, Syringa. A SUBSCRIBER.

Port Arthur, Feb. 4.

Seven Years.

Editor World: If a prisoner is charged and convicted say for three offences, and the judge sentence him to seven years on each offence, the sentences to run concurrently, does the prisoner serve seven or 21 years? INQUIRER.

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