

hesitation on the part of those approached. At first the municipal councillors, not as councillors, but as citizens of a common country engaged in furthering a common cause, and second, by means of them and public meetings, the people generally. The reception in all cases was inspiring, the farmers recognising they had a responsibility to answer and a duty to perform. It was not a case of persuasion.

The township of Nottawasaga came first. On the day of the presentation of the case, the Township Council, the Farmers' Institute and the Women's Institute were in session in the Scotch village of Duntroon. When the speakers had concluded, Reeve Scott said, "It is up to us to do our duty and do it now," and with his Council and people organization of a branch was there and then effected. It was decided to make a canvass for voluntary subscriptions. Officers were elected, two captains appointed for each of the twelve polling subdivisions and at a meeting of the executive a few evenings later, every officer and twenty-three of the captains were present, a splendid manifestation of the interest and enthusiasm that prevailed. At this meeting arrangements were made for a number of public meetings and the date set for the canvass. The result was that contributions amounting to \$6,500 were received, a great part being cash.

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