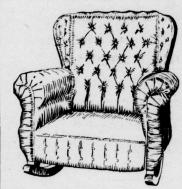
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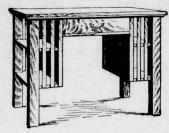
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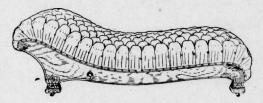
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RAISE PATRIOTIC FUND BY to their families. TAXATION FAVORED

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The annual meeting of the Elgin Patriotic Association was held in the city hall St. Thomas on Wednesday, this no doubt would be remedied to wounded and in many cases incapacicity hall, St. Thomas, on Wednesday, a great extent by the Legislature at tated. ing the decision to raise the bulk of its next session. the monies needed by the fund by done in the past.

The statements of the officers were one who is capable of doing so and pay, will be made to pay, after being given a chance.

A resolution ordering the payment payer, of \$500 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund was passed.

A resolution was introduced by Reeve Cornell, of Port Stanley, and A. S. Smith, to have all monies for the Canadian Patriotic Fund raised through municipal grants, and all raised by voluntary subscriptions. Reeve Cornell gave the County Council's view that the system of making municipal grants would reach all classes inreach all classes reach all classes in a more satisfactory way than voluntary subscriptions. It would not stop voluntary subscriptions, as the fund would need all the people could give; besides there were many other funds that could receive the attention of those

the tax rate. President Anderson called attention to the fact that even if the war was over to-day it would take months before the soldiers could be returned

who felt that their responsibility did

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Will Get After Delinquents, Who to get money for a necessary purpose. the recruiting committee will handle The taxes could be levied according the matter of assisting in the work to population Mr. Perry admitted of recruiting for the 91st and other that many men escaped their just units to be raised here, and the third

at the wealthy man who wouldn't by practically a unanimous vote.

authorizing the arranging for collec-Rev. N. H. McGillivray said it was are as follows who subscribed last year and did not favored memorializing the Govern- presidents, Judge C. W. Colter, Judge ment to make it possible to reach

> George Geddes, of St. Thomas said the fact that Elgin with 45,000 population by contributing \$70,000 in a year had done little to brag about. average man smoked that much in a week's time.

Rev. Mr. Brownlee felt that the farmer, who was reaping the greatest other funds for patriotic purposes harvest financially at present, was not paying his proper share.

Mr. Anderson said all the tightvads were not in the rural districts. There were a few in St. Thomas Every man should give according to his ability, regardless of the other fellow.

The concluding task of the Association was the receiving and adoption of the nominating committee's report, resulting in practically the re-election of the former members of the executive committee.

not end by voting monies through An outstanding feature of the neeting was the splendid spirit shown by the large audience, which comprised men from all parts of the county. A year ago, at a similar meeting there were many present with objections and criticisms of the ourse planned; this year there was unanimity of purpose that showed determination on the part of the eople of the county and city to see the war to a finish, and in spite of the additional burdens, to do what is believed to be the county's part nonarbly and efficiently.

Three committees were named, all working under and in conjunction with the executive committee, but each being responsible for its own part of the work of the organization. The finance committee will carry on the work which has been done in the

past, such as securing the necessary City Treasurer Perry, of St. Thomas | funds and looking after the payments said raising money was the only way to the soldiers' wives and families;

The carrying of the resolutions in Reeve McKenney was even ready favor of raising the bulk of the taxation, instead of by taxation and to send a delegation to Toronto to money for the patriotic fund by ditaxation, instead of by taxation and ask for such legislation. Mr. Mc-rect taxation through the county and voluntary subscription, as has been ask for such legislation. Mr. Mc-rect taxation through the county and Kenney also wanted something to get city municipal tax rates was carried

The officers and committees named

Patrons-Lieut.-Governor Hendrie tive of what other counties did he and Hon. T. W. Crothers; honorary H. Wright, Aylmer; Police Magis-C. O. Ermatinger, David Marshall, the wage-earner, who is not a tax. M. P., C. A. Brower, M. P., and Hon. F. G. Macdiarmid.

President-R. M. Anderson Vice-President-Warden Alex. Mc-Coll.

Secretary-Treasurer-K. W. McKay. Patriotic Committee—Chairman Anderson, Mayors of St. Thomas and Aylmer and the Warden of the county Committee for care of returned

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COUNTY ROADS Were Held up as Shining Examples, and Our Representatives Were Enthusiastic But the Council Turned Down the Scheme

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Finance-A. S. Smith, chairman; Dr N. A. Smith and C. O. Luton, of Belmont: R. A. Penhale, Yarmouth; Dr. Smith, of Fingal; W. A. Galbraith, of Dutton; A. D. McGugan, of West Lorne; W. E. Leeson, Aylmer; W. A. Fraser, of Pt. Stanley; W. B. Doherty and A. E. Ponsford, of St. Thomas Mayor of Aylmer and Reeves of all municipalities.

Recruiting Committee-Geo. Geddes, chairman; J. C. Dance; Kingsmill; Earl Cole, Sparta; Jas. Brown, Shedden; Sidney Turville, of Wallactown; Peter Stalker, of West Lorne: S. B. Morries, of Rodney; Chas. Ingram, R. R. 1, Pt. Burwell; Rev. W. H. Harvey and W. B. Doherty of St. Thomas; L. F. Clarke, Aylmer; Col. Green and A. S. Smith, also the Reeves and Mayors of municipalities and towns.

COUNTY COUNCIL DOES NOT **FAVOR SYSTEM OF**

Aylmer's and Malahide's Good Roads

The county good roads plan, which has been hanging fire in the Elgin County Council for many years, came to a head Thursday afternoon, with the result that the plan to adopt the county of \$1,040.

system to go into effect on Ian. 1. 1917, was knocked out by a vote of

several felt that it would be best to work for the whole county. see the war out of the way first before assuming additional burdens in hide's good road north from Aylmer the way of taxes for permanent road- where there is much heavy teaming. ways. Other arguments used against The drainage with six-inch tile on adopting the scheme were that the each side cost \$734.60, the stone both people, and even some of the coun- large and crushed stone and the fine cillors, were not conversant with the stone for smooth surface, \$1,540, a letails of the plan, and that when total of \$2,276.60 per mile, and it was they were they should have the right a first-class road in every respect.

they favored its adoption. ally the whole day.

Reeve Cornell, of Port Stanley, that a by-law be passed to assume a it did. county road system under the provisions of the Highway Improvement

of miles to be assumed in the various municipalities was 250, and the total cost would be in the neighborhood roads. of \$250,000. Of this the county bears | Mr. McColl called attention to the suburban roads leading out of St. Thomas, in which case the city would that if the debentures were spread over a period of ten years the annual payments would mean a rate levied on the average farm of 100 acres of \$7.60 a year. He did not consider this a high figure, and strongly advocated

Mr. Cornell quoted figures to show that in the 20 counties now operating under the Highways Improvement Act, the average expenditure per mile of road up to 1914 was \$1,559, which after deducting the third paid by the Government, left the cost to the

adopting the system.

Malahide Favors Good Roads Deputy-Reeve Hare, of Malahide

came out strongly for good roads, It was apparent that a majority of and even favored starting right away, the members are in favor of some doing the work gradually, with the sort of a county good roads system, result that in a few years the whole and while many of these stuck to it 250 miles would be completed. The that the present was just as good cost of overseeing, Mr. Hare was not a time as any to start operations, afraid of. One man could do the

Mr. Hare gave figures of Malasay at the polls whether or not If it had been a county road, the Government would have assumed The discussion as well as the hear- \$909.84 of the cost. As to maintenng of the delegations from Yarmouth ance, Mr. Hare said it cost \$150 a mile and Southwold, the principal oppon- per year. The road is macadamized ents to the scheme, took up proctic- to a width of eight feet, with the sides of hard earth.

Mr. Hare said the people of Malawho was chairman of the special hide were so well pleased with the good roads committee, presented the road that they would not have it ommittee's report, recommending taken up if it cost twice as much as

The Warden in Favor

Warden McColl said the principle Act, to take effect on the first of of a good roads system was to equal-January, 1917, the road mileage de- ize the cost, such as is done with signated to be in proportion to the schools and bridges. Mr. McColl explained that in suburban roads to be In endorsing his committee's re- designated by a commission, the city port, Mr. Cornell, who, by the way, and county would each bear 30 per was the prime mover of the adop- cent, of the cost and the Government tion of a system of good roads in 40 per cent. In designating the roads Wentworth county, gave some figures the committee had selected the roads as to the probable cost. The number leading to the market centres and no one would have to drive more than two or three miles to reach the main

60 per cent, and the Government 40 fact that if the county rate was inper cent., except in the case of the creased under a good roads system the township rate would be reduced correspondingly, and he did not bebear 30 per cent. Mr. Cornell said lieve a mill and a half on the dollar would be any burden whatever. In fact, the roads would be a decided benefit, as the municipalities under the present system were losing money through an inefficient system and the lack of the government grant. Mr. McColl favored passing the bylaw, giving next year's council a chance to work out the details and

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