

friend, his division a wise counsellor, and his family a greater loss than words can express.

The Warden presented the following

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS.

From the clerk of the County of Wentworth, enclosing petition passed by the Council of Wentworth to the Ontario Legislature, requesting better provision for auditing municipal accounts.

From Wm. McCleary, M. P., acknowledging receipt of memorials praying for an Alien Labor Law, and amendment to Railway Act respecting crossings and drainage through railway lands; and stating that he will present the same at the earliest opportunity.

From secretary of the Ontario Rifle Association, asking for grant for the present year, and conveying to the Council the thanks of the president of the association for the grant of last year.

From superintendent of St. John's Industrial School, East Toronto, presenting account for board and tuition for Martin Cassidy.

From secretary Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute, stating that the board of Niagara Falls Collegiate Institute approves of the arrangements proposed for a three years' settlement by the committees representing the County and Collegiate Institute, viz.: that the sum of \$1,237.25 for the years 1896-7-8, be the County's yearly portion to said Institute.

From the clerk of the County of Renfrew, enclosing statement of salaries of the various county council officials in the Province of Ontario.

From Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation, C. W. I. Woodland, agent.

From the National Conference of Charity and Corrections Association, re meeting of said association in Toronto for the discussion on dealing with the problems of charity, child saving, out door relief, reform schools, prison management, care of insane and feeble minded, &c.

From the Board of School Trustees of the Village of Bridgeburg, asking aid for the maintenance of continuation classes established in said schools, according to the Public School Act of 1896.

From W. H. Lowe, secretary of the Welland High School Board, requesting Council to make arrangements for re-adjustment of accounts in accordance with subsection 3, section 31, of the High School Act of 1896.

From J. B. McIntyre, secretary of St. Catharines Jubilee Endowment Hospital Committee, requesting date to meet Council.

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