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CARLETON AND VICTORIA COUNTIES TEACHERS' INSTITUTE

Large Attendance—Many Instructive Papers Read and Discussed

One hundred and five teachers were present at the opening session of the Carleton and Victoria counties institute, which convened in the Fisher Memorial school, Principal Denham, of the Woodstock schools, presided at the different sessions. E. J. Alexander was secretary.

Inspector Meagher spoke on physical training, nature work, writing, arithmetic, ventilation and cleanliness.

Inspector R. P. Steeves spoke of the success of institutes depending largely upon the interest and activity shown by teachers in topics presented. He spoke feelingly of Drs. Hay and Britain, who died recently, and referred to their good influence on the teaching profession.

E. J. Alexander read an interesting paper on "Nature Study in the Country Schools" that was discussed at some length by several of the teachers.

Miss Mulherrin's paper on Nature study in Town Schools, was also a topic for discussion.

Mr. Durost, who is connected with the agricultural department of the government, addressed the institute on soil conditions necessary for the growth of roots.

The public meeting in the evening was largely attended. A splendid programme of music was carried out and able addresses made by Premier Fleming, Prof. Peacock, R. P. Steeves, Mayor Jones and W. B. Belyea, chairman of the school board. Mayor W. P. Jones welcomed the teachers on behalf of the town, and said that the idea of teachers meeting together and exchanging views, were undoubtedly good. He was glad to see such a representative gathering, as it indicated an interest in educational work. He had a good word to say for the trustees of schools who worked without remuneration. The new library and agricultural college were about under course of construction and Woodstock would soon be an educational centre.

Prof. Peacock's address on Evening Technical Schools was an able effort and received the closest attention. He said evening technical schools should embrace, agriculture, commercial work, household science, and economics.

Inspector Steeves, who taught in Woodstock many years ago, spoke in a reminiscent vein and of the changes that were in evidence in the present surroundings, as compared with years ago.

Premier Fleming spoke briefly along educational lines and deplored the fact that rural districts were not thickly populated owing to the constant exodus to the cities and towns. Strong men are needed to meet this difficulty. Isolation made people leave the country and rural conditions must be improved by better roads, rural telephones and other improvements that will break down this feeling of loneliness and isolation.

At the third session much interest was taken in Miss C. P. Fawcett's instructive discourse on writing. Mrs. Carvell, F. B. Meagher, Miss Slipp, Miss Rice and Miss King discussed the subject.

A paper on physical drill by Miss F. E. Robertson was discussed by several teachers and demonstrated by Miss Lister with little pupils from grade 1.

Principal W. T. Denham, dealing with arithmetic, showed its importance on the school curriculum and argued that it should be part of the daily programme.

The next meeting of the institute will be held at Woodstock the last two days of the December term.

EAST FLORENCEVILLE BASE BALL TEAM

Well Organized and Getting Good Practice—Have Backing of the Citizens

The Florenceville devotees of base ball got together and organized one evening last week. The officers selected were: B. F. Smith, honorary president; H. T. Begg, manager of the Bank of N. S., president; Roy Hunter, secretary-treasurer; with P. R. Semple and H. M. Martell to complete the executive.

Martell will captain the team and has arranged the following line-up:

Joe Lindsay, pitcher
E. Charlton, catcher
Bob White, first base
Roy Hunter, second base
J. A. Tompkins, third base
H. M. Martell, centre
Billy Curran, short stop
Lee Brownell, left field
S. Tompkins, right field
R. S. Semple, umpire.

This aggregation defeated the Consolidated School team one evening last week. Manager Atkinson is trying to arrange for a game with a Woodstock team to be played on the East Florenceville diamond on the 24th.

It is pleasing to note the names of prominent business men on the executive. This will give the team courage to go in and win for their town's sake. It is good business for a town to give its base ball team, or other legitimate sport, strong backing. A spirit of patriotism for the home town is thus kindled, the monotony of rural life is relieved.

It is to be earnestly hoped that the Hartland boys will not be discouraged in their attempt to organize. The business men should see that no young man should have any reason to want to get away because other towns afford better opportunities for diversion.

The Best Breed of Hogs.

At the Ontario Agricultural College an extensive series of experiments in the feeding of hogs of different breeds was recently carried out. The breeds selected for each were Berkshire, Tamworth, Poland China, Duroc Jersey, Chester White, Yorkshire. Each of the series of experiments was carried on with a view to ascertain which breed made the greatest gain in weight during a certain time under identical methods of feeding and care. Of the five experiments the Berkshires showed the greatest gain in four and second greatest in one. The Tamworth showed the second best gain in three of the experiments. The Chester White, grades of which are common in Carleton county held fourth place among the six breeds. The Poland China, another common breed, proved to be the least economical of any of them.

Bad Roads.

Some idea of the disgraceful conditions that prevail on many of the roads of Albert county can be obtained from the fact that Rev. H. D. Worden, pastor of Dawson Settlement church, nearly lost his horse on Sunday whilst on the way home from Nixon, where he had preached to full congregations. The reverend gentleman was proceeding on his way, when his steed, a valuable one, went down in a hole in the highway, its legs being completely hidden from view. Mr. Worden, after considerable difficulty extricated the animal from the dangerous position, very thankful that matters were not of a more serious nature.—Albert Journal.

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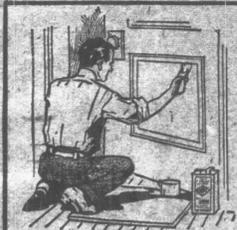
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