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FINANCES OF MIDDLESEX

County Treasurer's Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for 1899.

At the meeting of the county council yesterday afternoon a statement of the receipts and disbursements from Jan. 1 to Dec. 3, 1899, was submitted by County Treasurer McEvoy. The total receipts were \$12,756.60, of which, in county rates, London township contributed \$10,167.50, and Westminster \$6,633.93. For the administration of justice the Ontario Government paid \$7,408.86, and for school purposes \$6,009. The disbursements, totaling \$8,566.23, included: For redeemed debenture coupons, \$143.50; for administration of justice, \$5,386.78; for jail officials' salaries, \$3,476.13; for repairs to jail, \$818.25; to public schools, \$5,504; to high schools, \$5,000.28; for maintenance of the house of refuge, \$4,486.36; for municipal government, \$4,626.15; for bridges, \$4,293.83. The balance on hand was \$44,099.32.

On the recommendation of the finance committee, a Christmas grant of \$20 was made to the house of refuge. The warden was empowered to invest \$7,400 in debentures issued under bylaw 613, and to sign a check on sinking fund B for that purpose. The sum of \$8,418 borrowed from the current account of 1898, and placed to the credit of the sinking fund will be allowed to stand for the present, except that the sum of \$2,754.32, paid by the city of London on account of the debenture debt will be appropriated as payment thereon, leaving an amount still due, current account, of \$5,663.58, with accrued interest.

Tenders were opened for the purchase of \$12,500 debentures of the county. The successful tender was the Canadian Order of Woodmen of the World, and to them the debentures were sold at par value.

An account from the London board of education showed that there were in attendance at the Collegiate Institute 111 pupils. The accounts which amounted to \$300, was referred to the warden and inspector to pay, if found correct.

The Children's Aid Society sent in a bill for \$100.99 for 1900. Montreal Star, nine children in the shelter. Referred to committee.

An application from T. H. Purdon, Q.C., for the position of county solicitor, was sent to the finance committee.

FOR THE NEW BOARD

Enlargement of the Public Library Left Over—Some Recommendations.

At the regular meeting of the public library board last night, it was decided to leave the question of enlarging the library over for the new board of 1900. Accounts were ordered paid to the amount of \$228.37. The library committee's report was adopted, recommending that the following periodicals be discontinued for 1900: Montreal Star, American Journal of Sociology, Argosy, Architecture and Building, Stenographer, New York Sun, Electrician, Garden, and that the following periodicals be added to the list: American Gardening, New York Tribune, Farmers' Sun, Cassell's Little Folks. One hundred and sixty volumes of new books, at a cost of \$175, have been ordered. Librarian Blackwell reported an average circulation of 250 for the month. Receipts were \$78.83. The number of cards issued to date is 7,340.

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METEOROLOGICAL

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 7, 8 p.m.—The low pressure which was over the north-west yesterday has moved quickly eastward, and is now centered over the Nipissing district. It is causing unsettled weather over the lakes, which will attend it as it moves over the eastern provinces. Higher pressure is approaching the lake district from the west, accompanied by fair weather. It continues comparatively mild throughout the northwest. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 44-52; Calgary, 20-40; Prince Albert, 8-22; Qu'Appelle, 18-36; Winnipeg, 16-36; Port Arthur, 26-38; Parry Sound, 6-36; Toronto, 16-40; Ottawa, 10-18; Montreal, 10-24; Quebec, zero-16; Halifax, 20-28.

Local temperature—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Thursday, Dec. 7, 1899, were: Highest, 38; lowest, 4.3. Today the sun rises at 7:30; sets at 4:41. Moon rises at 11:39; sets at 11:22.

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A LOCAL BUDGET

—General Manager Hays, of the Grand Trunk, accompanied by Superintendent Jones, will visit all the points on the middle division shortly.

—Detectives Nickle and Egerton arrested a young man named Henry Jones last night, the police having received a telegram from Toronto, where he is wanted on a charge of forging orders for Ridpath's "History of the World."

—A quiet wedding took place on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at the home of Mr. Thomas Rutledge, Kintore, when his eldest daughter, Edna, was united in marriage to W. H. Ball, of Montreal. Miss Mary Rutledge, of Detroit, acted as bridesmaid, while Mr. James Wilson, of Montreal, was best man. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Boone, of London. The bride received many beautiful and valuable presents. The young couple will reside in Montreal.

—Dr. Robert M. Kippian, of this city, leaves tomorrow for Pickford, Mich., where he will enter into association in the practice of medicine with Dr. J. A. Cameron, former Canadian. Dr. Cameron has built up a very large practice, and finds it necessary to obtain assistance. Dr. Kippian is a graduate of the Medical School of the Western University, class of '99. He is one of the most popular young Londoners, and we have no doubt he will make a splendid reputation for himself in his new home. His many friends wish him every success.

IT WOULD BE UNJUST.

The proposal to reduce the salary of Miss Coyne from \$500 to \$500 is one that the school board, when it thinks the matter over carefully, will reject from a sense of justice. After these long years of faithful and meritorious service, Miss Coyne deserves more consideration. To cut her salary almost in half would not only be a personal hardship, but a grave wrong on the part of the school trustees, which could not be condoned in the name of economy. There is a strong feeling against the board treating the lady teachers as it would not treat the male teachers.

STREET RAILWAY MEN'S CONCERT.

Division 87 of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees, gave an enjoyable concert in the Grand Opera House last evening before an appreciative audience. The excellent programme was furnished by local talent, and included these numbers:

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 Street Car Ticket Cases.....10c
 Ladies' Card Cases.....50c
 Gentlemen's Card Cases.....60c
 Men's Wallets.....25c
 Whiskey Flasks.....50c
 Cold Tea Flasks.....\$1 00
 Brand Flasks.....\$1 50
 Music Rolls.....50c
 Music Cases.....\$1 25
 Ladies' Chatelaine Purse.....\$1 00
 Nurses' Chatelaines.....\$1 25
 Gentlemen's Bill Books.....75c
 Gentlemen's Letter Cases.....50c
 Ladies' Purse, from.....25c to \$5 00
 Gentlemen's Purse, from.....10c to \$1 50
 Razor Straps.....25c
 Shawl Straps.....15c
 Rubber Sponge Bags.....50c
 Opera Chatelaines.....75c
 Pocket Ink Bottles.....35c
 Ladies' Hand Bags.....\$1 00
 Combination Purse and Card Cases.....50c
 Dressing Cases, ladies'.....\$3 00
 Dressing Cases, gentlemen's.....\$2 50
 Dressing Cases, ladies' extra, with brush, comb, mirror, manicure set, scissors, etc.....\$12 00
 Dressing Cases, gentlemen's extra, with brush, comb, nail brush, tooth brush, razor, razor strap, leather brush, soap box, in solid leather case.....\$12 50
 Skate Straps.....10c
 Skate Straps, extra long.....15c
 Lawyers' Bags.....\$5 00
 Surgical Bags.....\$4 50
 Nurses' Grips.....\$2 50
 Gladstone Bags.....\$3 50
 Dress Suit Cases, 6 in. wide.....\$6 00
 Dress Suit Cases, 7 in. wide.....\$7 00
 Ladies' Jewelry Bags.....25c
 Cigar Boxes, wood, with pad.....\$1 50
 Smuggling Cases.....\$1 00
 Whisk Markers.....50c
 Golf Score Cards.....\$1 00
 State Room Trunks.....\$4 00
 Trunks.....\$2 00
 Telescope Cases.....45c
 Doll Trunks, all sizes.....65c

Leather Goods.

Lightheart; skirt dance, Miss Grayson; song, Mr. J. O'Neill; selection, Mr. Clark; recitation, Miss Nena Burke; song, (comic), Master Eugene Lockhart; solo, Miss Myra Pickard; solo, Corbin Brothers and Williamson.

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CARLYLE ON SATURDAY.

At the earnest request of many ladies unable to attend the series of evening recitals given by Dr. Carlyle, he will give one popular programme of miscellaneous and up-to-date selections on Saturday afternoon, Dec. 9, at 188 Dundas street, at 4 o'clock punctually. This programme will suit all tastes, will be made up of quaint, dainty, humorous and pathetic selections. Carlyle will also read three of his own poems, and repeat "The Horse Trade," from David Harum. This afternoon is also specially arranged for teachers of public schools in the collegiate and high schools. The admission is only 25 cents. This is Carlyle's last appearance.

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lice should be notified, it was thought.

The engineer will report on Carrie Jack's claim for damages.

Robert Washburn's claim for damages was filed.

"OUTRAGEOUS."

The sewer committee met subsequently, and decided to recommend the payment of \$278 to D. Wade in full of account on sections G and H of the trunk sewer.

The city engineer said the decision was "outrageous," adding that Wade had already been overpaid \$700.

APPRECIATE THEIR LOSS

County Council Regret M. John Dearness' Removal.

But Are Pleased With His Promotion—The Retiring Inspector Entertains.

The members of the Middlesex county council were very pleasantly entertained last evening by Mr. John Dearness, the retiring inspector of public schools in East Middlesex at his residence, corner of Matland and Piccadilly streets, while enjoying at Mr. Dearness' well-deserved promotion to the vice-principals of the new Normal School, the councilors keenly appreciate the loss the inspector sustains in his removal. Their feelings toward him were expressed in the following address, which Warden Hardy read on behalf of the council:

"To John Dearness, public school inspector."

"Dear Sir,—Owing to our deep interest individually and collectively in your welfare and success, we feel ourselves constrained to accept your resignation, and in doing so we desire to assure you of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment displayed in bringing about the settlement of the unpleasantness that will arise, and which so urgently call for oil on the troubled waters. We are conscious that your deportment and advice has resulted in much good to the youth of our appreciation of your faithful, capable and impartial discharge of official duties during the long term of a quarter of a century. We admire the ability and judgment