

Evidence of E. J. McMartin:

E. J. McMartin, a Trustee of West Nissouri Continuation School Board since January 1914, and is still a Trustee, who was appointed and acted as assessor of the Township for the years 1914 and 1915, stated in evidence under oath:—

"I am a member of the West Nissouri Continuation School Board. I was first appointed by Township Council Jan. 8, 1912, but resigned. I was again appointed by County Council Jan., 1914 for three years."

"I have been assessor since I have been Trustee. I was advised by Sir Geo. Gibbons that under the Municipal Act I could be assessor as well as a trustee. My attention was never called to Sec. 12, Chap. 268 as to qualification of Trustee."

"On May 5, 1914 account of \$1106.60 of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons was paid. I saw the account. I did not know when they were appointed solicitors."

Evidence of Walter Fitzsimons:

Walter Fitzsimons, a Trustee of West Nissouri Continuation School Board, appointed by the Township Council Jan. 12, 1914, for three years, and still a Trustee, stated in evidence under oath as follows:—

"I was appointed a Trustee of West Nissouri Continuation School Board by Township Council, Jan. 12, for three years."

"May 5, 1914, I moved the payment of bill for \$1106.60 of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons. I did not know in what cases the account was in connection with; bill came in from the lawyers and I thought it must be right. It was talked over and we paid it."

Evidence of Sam C. Pardy:

Sam C. Pardy, a Trustee of the West Nissouri Continuation School Board and Chairman for the years 1914 and 1915, stated under oath:—

"I was appointed by the County a Trustee on July 4, 1913, in the place of William Bailey who had died."

"In connection with the carload of coal, we thought we could get it cheaper by buying a small car and Mr. Owens, the teacher, said he would take part if there was too much for the School. F. Stayner acted for the Board and sold some of the coal \$7.35 a ton, what we considered it cost."

"I was present May 5, 1914, when account of \$1106.60 of Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons was paid. We read over the items and we had them employed and considered we had to pay the account. I do not know anything about the dates of items in the account. I was not a Trustee when they were first appointed solicitors."

"The intention of the resolution Dec. 15, 1914, for the Secretary to pay accounts was any small accounts that there might be for repairs or supplies."

Evidence of Alfred Bailey:

Alfred Bailey, Secretary Treasurer of West Nissouri Continuation School Board, stated the following under oath:—

"I have been Secretary Treasurer of the West Nissouri Continuation School Board since Feb. 5, 1913, and am still Secretary Treasurer."

"The present situation in regard to the School is that the Municipal Council is opposed to the School and the Trustees are all opposed to the School and are keeping it open because they are obliged to according to law."